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THE EDITOR SAYS—

While in Charleston Friday afternoon we learned Sikeston is to have a new law firm. George W. Kirk of Charleston and Steve Barton of Benton will comprise the firm. Neither of these gentlemen need an introduction in this section as Steve Barton was a former prosecuting attorney of Scott County and has since practiced law in the county, while Mr. Kirk has been interested in educational work in both Sikeston and Charleston and for the past several years a practicing attorney in Charleston. The Standard will join in welcoming these gentlemen and their splendid families to Sikeston.

The Standard editor has been named a member of the Co-operative committee for the 14th National Flower and Garden Show, which is to be held in St. Louis, March 25 to April 2. Now we know a Dahlia when we see one, and even a rose, if we don't have to say what kind. And we can pick out a sunflower, a tulip, and one or two others, but we are going to have to study up a bit on floral culture before we do any committee work or discussing of the show.

Hundreds die as a tidal wave lashed the coast of Japan Friday. Would it be wrong to think this might be a visitation sent to that Nation for the rapine of China?

Way back in the good old days a few shots of spirits frummenti had been known to make strong men weep and grow sentimental, but in these dry times it must have been branch water that caused Kent Wilson to pen the following: "It was the frail hand of a woman that unsteady the arm of a would-be assassin of President-elect Roosevelt. It was the frail hands of a woman that washed the Master's feet and won for her an everlasting name. The hand of woman is in evidence from the cradle to the grave, always soothing, always administering in the little ways that make life worthwhile. The stroke of a woman's hand can brush the wrinkles from a furrowed brow of an adult, and dry the tears of a child. What chaos there would be in the home, in the world, without those hands!"

"A lot of ex-soldiers went to the training camp and didn't get overseas, but they got their teeth polished, their flat feet fixed and their bodies built up. Just because a man gets hit by a taxicab ten years later is no reason why we should take care of him for the rest of his life. —Al Smith."

The Milan Standard says Alice Roosevelt Longworth is showing a broad yellow streak by her catty jibes at the Franklin Roosevelts, and that the Franklin Roosevelts are demeaning themselves like well-bred people always do by ignoring the nasty things which fall from Alice's lips. "The world never thought it would live to see the day that 'Princess' Alice would show a streak of yellow, but she has shown it," the Standard says, "and all because another branch of the Roosevelt family is going to occupy the White House. Jealousy is a terrible curse and 'Princess' Alice seems to have a full grown case of it."

There will be much uneasiness from depositors in banks in every State caused by the closing of the doors of every financial institution. There is more money per capita than ever before whether you have your share or not. Crooked bankers and brokers in the East are responsible for the lack of confidence in banks and bankers. Unloading of worthless securities on the unsuspecting public, dodging the income tax by juggling their securities, selfishness and the like, is the bottom of financial conditions. Bankers and brokers will have to do a lot of explaining before they regain the confidence they once had, and they will have to pay for their explaining, too.

Sikeston's municipal light plant being one of the City's greatest civic projects deserves the unreserved support of all civic and semi-civic bodies of Sikeston. Many times it is found that these bodies in other communities are dominated to those friendly to the power companies for various private reasons, meaning that many times for selfish reasons its members sacrifice local civic support. That, in turn, means patronage to outside interest when that patronage should rightfully be placed locally. Sikeston's civic bodies, namely the Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce, should call the roll and see what its officers and members are doing toward making Sikeston's municipal light plant a success. They should study their by-laws and regulations and do this civic duty or reorganize.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL GIRLS' HOOP TOURNAMENT WILL BRING EIGHT BEST SEMO TEAMS HERE FRI-SAT.

Completion of sub-district tournaments last week-end in a number of nearby Southeast Missouri counties determined eligibility of contenders for the eleventh annual girls' tournament which will be held here Friday and Saturday this week. The original program, calling for sixteen teams, winners and runners-up, has been shifted to include only the best eight who will play a total of eleven games in three sessions—four games Friday night, four games Saturday afternoon and three that night.

The Advance sextet called Monday morning to inform local school officials that they could not accept the invitation this year. East Prairie, runner-up in Mississippi County has been substituted instead.

The schedule as announced, therefore includes, Doniphan, Hayti, Crystal City, Sikeston, Illmo, East Prairie, Senath and Portageville. In the first bracket Friday night, Illmo meets Senath at 7:00 o'clock, Hayti plays Doniphan at 8, the locals draw Crystal City at 9 o'clock, and East Prairie and Portageville will close the session.

The hope, given for what it is worth, does not give Sikeston much of a chance against the Crystal City girls have not suffered a contender's defeat in the Jefferson County league, and won the annual Troy Invitation Tournament. The Crystal City girls have not suffered a single defeat in thirteen games this season.

By presenting the very best teams in the district and area, local sponsors of the annual tourney believe that fans will see more genuine, first class basketball than ever before. Admission will be forty cents per session, or the entire tourney for \$1.00.

Man Who Begged Meals With \$1380 in Pockets Robbed at Poplar Bluff

Frank Erer, an aged German vagabond, who broke into print about ten days ago at Campbell, where he begged a meal while holding \$1380 on his person in old-style currency, fell victim to robbers last Wednesday morning in the Missouri Pacific Railroad yards at Poplar Bluff.

Police Chief of Campbell had accompanied the eccentric old man to Poplar Bluff because he feared personal violence and robbery if he remained in the Campbell district. Word of his affliction had spread rapidly following his arrest. At Poplar Bluff, Smith again pleaded with Erer to allow him to spend a few of his hoarded dollars to buy a railroad ticket out of this district, but Erer flatly refused, stating that he intended to spend nothing. He was allowed to sleep in the police station Tuesday night, free of charge. He was released with other drifters early the following morning and made his way to the railroad yards, evidently trying to hop a freighter south. About 9 o'clock, he came back to the police station to report he had been robbed. Police and Sheriff Les Massingham first understood him to say he had been robbed of \$14. They later found out that the sum lacked only a little of being fourteen hundred.

Finger prints taken by Highway Troopers Dace and Tandy, at Campbell were returned from the Department of Justice, Bureau of Identification, stating that Erer had been arrested some time ago in Oklahoma on a vagrancy charge.

Officers concluded that the man was suffering from some kind of a mental disorder, and placed his money for safekeeping in the First State Bank of Campbell. Following his preliminary hearing on a charge of ransacking a home, burglarly charges were dismissed and a small fine for vagrancy was imposed. His money was returned to him in the presence of C. D. Bray, Campbell attorney, J. J. Smith and Owen McCutchen, assistant cashier of the bank. Smith then accompanied the old man to Poplar Bluff and tried to induce him to purchase a ticket to another community.

Council Expected to Approve Light and Power Rate Reduction

The City Council in regular monthly session tonight (Monday, March 6) is expected to approve without alteration an ordinance prepared and approved last week by the Board of Public Works, setting forth a new schedule of light and power rates for the Municipal Electric Plant. The schedule follows exactly the rate cut established by the Missouri Utilities Company before the Public Service Commission, and means to the residential user of municipal current a flat reduction of twenty cents per month. Patrons of the City plant have been getting a 3 per cent reduction for several months, or since the inauguration of a government tax on electric current which since its inception has been absorbed out of plant earnings. The customers therefore received their "juice" 3 per cent cheaper than those still connected with the privately operated plant.

A paragraph of interest to church deacons, and others interested in cutting overhead, is to be found in the ordinance. Under its provisions any regularly established church building of whatever

CLEO LA COUR WINS BABE RUTH CONTEST AT CARTER'S STORE

Cleo LaCour, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. LaCour of Kendall street, was pronounced winner of the Babe Ruth Candy Contest conducted at Carter's Store during the past several weeks, and which ended March 4. There were several contestants working for the prize, but Cleo won by presenting a total of 134 Babe Ruth wrappers.

The thing we fear most with the new administration at Washington is seeing too much and hearing too much of the new mistress of the White House. We are hoping to hear from the men who is supposed to wear the britches.

BRIGGS-SCOTT

Miss Norma Scott of Matthews and Charley Briggs of Chicago and Alton, Ill. were quietly married at New Madrid last Monday, February 27. Mr. Briggs is the son of J. J. Briggs of Matthews and a brother to F. H. Briggs of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Briggs plan to leave within the next week for a visit in St. Louis.

The Sikeston Seed Store has had a good lot of calls for garden seed already this Spring, which tends to show families will raise their own vegetables this time and some for canning. If there was ever a time when families should be self supporting, it is now.

BANK HOLIDAY NATIONWIDE

Inaugurated Saturday



ROOSEVELT GARNER

Tentative Bids On Farm to Market Roads Were Opened Saturday; Action Not Final

Bids on several hundred Missouri farm-to-market roads were opened Saturday at the headquarters of the State Highway Department, but final placement of awards is deferred until the regular meeting of the State Highway Commission.

Included in the general letting, involving the expenditure of approximately three million dollars of road money, most of which will be running from Morley west to mentry roads to complete the farm-to-market system are several in the Scott, Stoddard and New Madrid counties area.

The Richmond Construction Co., of Advance, was low bidder on

Route SB Scott County, a road eventually go for labor on supplies of approximately \$40,500. The same firm was also low on a short bit of road starting south of Perkins, and designated as SP, Section 3, \$213.00. A bridge on the Scott-Stoddard County lines over Little River received a bid of \$2800. SP, Section 5, Perkins south to Heagy, also went to the Richmond Construction Company, bid \$7300. In New Madrid County Route S, J, Section 1, from Gideon, north, also went to the Advance road builders on a tentative bid of \$9,000.

UTILITY ENGINEERS CHECK UP MUNY PLANT HERE MONDAY

A group of officials including E. S. Billings, vice-president of the Community Power & Light Company, St. Louis, L. Ackard, public relations expert with the Missouri Utilities, H. A. Woodworth, of the Woodworth Engineering Company, St. Louis and L. T. Ostberg, accountant with the Community Power and Light concern, visited the Sikeston Municipal Light & Power plant and office Monday, March 6, in order to gather data which will be presented Wednesday before a notary in St. Louis for the benefit of the State Public Service Commission.

Certain statements made before the Commission last week-end when the City of Sikeston and the Missouri Utilities Company were represented at a hearing in Jefferson City had to be checked up. Attorneys for each will cross question engineers for the City and Utility Company at St. Louis meeting Wednesday. On March 10, the Commission is expected to set a date for argument by attorney and soon thereafter a decision of the validity of a certificate of public convenience and necessity is expected.

SEVERAL HUNDRED EXPECTED HERE FOR SEMO ENDEAVOR MEET FRIDAY TO SUNDAY

Several hundred representatives of Southeast Missouri Christian Endeavor groups, coming from five counties in the district, are expected to attend a conference at the local Christian church Friday, Saturday and Sunday this week. A banquet Saturday night at 6:00 o'clock, Christian Church, will be open to the public. The cost per plate will be 35 cents.

Walter Weekly is president of the Sikeston Christian Endeavor Chapter, and by committee, has

made elaborate preparations to accommodate the visitors, and to arrange an interesting program for their entertainment.

A number of outstanding State and district leaders in this work are expected here. These include Homer Allen, State President of St. Louis; Rev. A. C. Crouch, Field Secretary of the State, Kansas City; Rev. R. M. Talbert, Pastor Councillor of Cape Girardeau, and W. A. Coombes, district president of Illmo.

FARMER GETS \$0.7 FOR 110-LB. CALF

F. E. Seabau, a farmer of near Matthews, was in The Standard office last Friday with a check for \$0.7 received by him from Long Wooten & Company, National Stock Yards, Ill., in payment of a 110-lb. calf, which he shipped to them several days ago. At the time he shipped the calf the price on beef was 6 1/2 cents per pound, but by the time the commission, shipping cost, etc., had been deducted his net returns were hardly worth mentioning. And then they say "prosperity is just around the corner." It must be a mighty big corner.

PAIN IN TUMMY MAY BE CAUSED BY PIN THINKS MOREHOUSE LAD

All cases of stomach ache are not caused by eating green apples, reasons Thomas Atkinson, 15-year-old Morehouse youth, who Thursday asked doctors for an X-ray examination to locate a straight pin he believes was swallowed earlier in the week. A sharp pain developed in the region of his stomach while playing ball at school.

Business in Sikeston was better in the afternoon of Saturday than in the forenoon. Change of administration likely.

BAPTISTS TO OBSERVE "WEEK OF PRAYER" WITH PROGRAM STARTING ON 7TH

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist church of this city will observe a "Week of Prayer" instituted by that denomination with a 3-day program beginning Tuesday and ending Thursday afternoon this week. Each of three "Circles" or groups of the church will have charge of the several programs. The Mary Reed Circle will have charge of the Tuesday program, the Jane Hasselstine Circle will be in charge Wednesday and the Mary Webb group on Thursday.

On Wednesday evening, the following program will be presented to the public at the church auditorium:

Piano solo—Serenade—Miss Grace Estes

Violin solo—The World is Waiting for Sunrise—Elwood Taylor

Vocal Solo—The Beautiful Garden of Prayer—Mrs. L. R. Burns

Trumpet Quartette—Messrs. Slinkard, Taylor, Jacobs and Denman

Duet—Living for Jesus—Mrs. Fern Bowman and Mrs. Dellor

Mott "At Home," a Home Mission playlet.

Characters: Mrs. Stevenson—Mrs. C. Meredith

Y. W. A. President—Mildred Williams

C. A. President—Freda Lankford

Indian woman—Mrs. Boyd Scillian

Indian child—Madeline Seillian

Mrs. Rimini—An Italian woman

Mrs. T. Clark

Mandy—a negro woman—Mrs. Anna Jones

Tom and Robert Stevenson—Glen Williams and Billie Ellis

Mrs. Barber and Mrs. Morris—members of W. M. S.—Mrs. C. M. Taylor and Mrs. V. Edwards

Vocal solo—Jesus is Real and Precious to Me—Charles Maple

March Home Mission—Thanks Offering

Benediction—Rev. Garrison

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New Machinery in Local Shoe Factory to Be Ready For Workers Monday

Unless some unforeseen development occurs before that date, the 460 workers in the Sikeston International Shoe Factory will return to work next Monday morning at the usual hour, said W. L. Hutters today. The plant was temporarily closed last Thursday evening to permit the installation of new machinery so that another type of shoe may be manufactured here.

For the past several months the local factory has been on a 4-day work sharing basis, so that the shut-down, beginning at the close of a regular work week, will mean the loss of only four actual working days.

SENATH BANKER GIVES SELF UP; SAYS HE WILL PLEAD GUILTY TO EMBEZZLEMENT

Delmar Doherty, former assistant cashier of the closed Citizens Bank of Senath, gave himself up Saturday night, March 4, stating that he had been in hiding in that city since the Monday previous.

Doherty had been shadowed continually since his mysterious disappearance from Piggott, Ark., January 25, where he boarded a train for St. Louis, and finally took a plane for Los Angeles, Calif., where, incidentally, he deposited \$2,975 in a bank. That money has been attached by Elbert L. Ford, prosecuting attorney.

Doherty stated that he would plead guilty to a charge of embezzling approximately \$19,000 in

President Roosevelt Issues Proclamation Suspending All Banking Until Thursday

Every bank in the United States and its territories remained closed Monday morning in observance of an official proclamation by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, issued over the radio late Sunday night. The "bank holiday" was ordered to extend through Thursday this week, at which time emergency legislation is expected to be forthcoming.

Many Missouri banks had observed an order issued by Governor Park last Saturday, which gave permission to close their doors temporarily. In Sikeston, both financial institutions remained open, but in self protection, declined to cash out-of-town items.

The situation in the financial world had been drawing toward a crisis for some time, and in many States, including adjoining States of Kansas and Illinois, banks were observing moratoriums or "holidays". In other words, Missouri banks found that items sent thru collection were returned from banks thus affected. As a matter of self-protection, therefore, Missouri institutions were forced to adopt the policy of not issuing cash on out-of-State and out-of-town banks beginning Saturday.

A statement signed by heads of the Bank of Sikeston and of the Sikeston Trust Company Monday morning, follows:

To the Depositors of Sikeston Banks:

By proclamation, Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States, issued an order declaring Monday, March 6th, Tuesday, March 7th, Wednesday, March 8th and Thursday, March 9th as legal banking holidays in which no business of any nature can be transacted, under penalty of the Law.

Acting in good faith and in co-operation with the President of the United States, our banks will observe this holiday period. This action on the part of the President does not in any way impair the financial stability of the banks in Sikeston. At the expiration of the designated period, the Sikeston banks will be open for business, observing whatever rules and regulations are imposed on us by the State and Federal banking authorities. This is a situation which we very much deplore, but must abide by in the best interests of our depositors, our citizens, our City, State and Nation.

We are asking our customers to bear patiently with the situation and join with us in meeting whatever emergency is necessary for the welfare of each and every individual.

This situation is nation-wide, is not confined to Sikeston or Missouri banks, but was made necessary because of the trouble conditions existing in every State of the Nation.

SIKESTON TRUST CO. BANK OF SIKESTON

To quote an associated press dispatch as published in the Cape Girardeau Southeast Missourian today:

The holiday was declared under the Trading with the Enemy Act passed in 1917. It can be extended if necessary if Congress has not put through the emergency legislation by Friday morning.

In the proclamation Mr. Roosevelt empowered Secretary Woodin to "direct, require or permit" the issuance of Clearing House Certificates. Officials were at the treasury until an early hour this morning to work out such a plan to keep the channel of exchange open and insure the orderly conduct of business.

The proclamation cited "heavy and wide-spread withdrawals of gold and currency from our banking institutions for the purpose of hoarding" and "increasing speculative activity abroad in foreign exchange" which "has resulted in severe drains on the nation's stocks of gold."

To Stop Hoarding

"It is the best interests of all bank depositors," the document said, "that a period of respite be provided with a view to preventing further hoarding of coin, bullion or currency of speculation in foreign exchange and permitting the application of appropriate measures to protect the interests of our people."

Modifications placed upon the holiday would permit any bank that can gain the permission of the government to stay open and conduct its business as usual and accept new deposits to be placed in trust accounts subject to full withdrawal.

Ogden L. Mills, secretary of the treasury until Saturday, and his assistants worked hand in hand with Woodin to put the Clearing House Certificates into effect and give advice. Woodin said last night that the machinery for this purpose had not been perfected sufficiently to make it clear whether they would be uniform all over the country or vary from State to State or from district to district according to the Federal Reserve system.

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date for 1932 licenses. The Highway Patrol takes the position that if an automobile owner can afford to operate his car, he can afford to pay the required license fee.

Several fire insurance companies are curtailing operations in the neighborhood of Flat River, because of numerous fires in that section in recent months, according to officials at the Fire Prevention Bureau, which maintains offices in the Pierce Building, St. Louis. In a few cases policies have been cancelled, and a number of policy holders have received notices that the companies will not renew.

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TROOPERS TO BEGIN CHECKUP ON '32 TAGS THURSDAY, MARCH 16

Jefferson City, March 6.—Automobile owners in Missouri will be required to have 1933 State licenses on or before March 15, it was announced here today at the headquarters of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Enforcement of 1933 license requirements will begin March 16 and drivers without new plates will be subject to arrest after that date.

The same rule will apply to out-of-State cars operating in Missouri. They, too, will be required to have new licenses by March 16. Instructions for the license campaign have been issued to all members of the Highway Patrol. County authorities also have been advised, so that a uniform policy may be followed throughout the State.

The license deadline is considered reasonable enough, since it allows car owners a month and a half of grace after the expiration

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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We are authorized to announce O. M. (Ichy) Arthur as a candidate for election as Alderman from the First Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Loomis Mayfield as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Grover Baker as a candidate for election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Gust Zacher as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Third Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Ed Smith as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Fourth Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

Charles A. Lee, State Superintendent of Schools warns that a breakdown faces education in the schools owing to lack of money. If Mr. Lee will concentrate on the first eight grades in school and give the pupils a solid foundation in spelling, English, writing and arithmetic, he will be doing the scholars a real favor. Cut out a lot of flub dub and maybe the money will reach through the coming school year until conditions improve.

The passing of Senator Walsh was a shock to the country, but as he was newly wed, we hope he died happy.

Much pity is wasted, we think, on the "poor fellows" who stand on the corner with nothing to do; climb on trains with no place to go, and beg a bite to eat at the back door. They have no ambition for future achievement and no hope for success in any endeavor other than getting something to eat. Neither have they the worries of providing a living for their family, an education for their children, meeting the requirements of their home and office paying interest when due and reducing the size of their indebtedness; no fear of taxes or foreclosure, no thought of social or official obligations. They take life merely as it comes to them and like our pioneer ancestors, need only food and shelter to satisfy their daily existence. Depression applies only to those of us who have followed civilization's urge to acquire something that others cannot get, and constantly fear that we cannot hold on to it.—Shelbina Democrat.

CHARLESTON JUNIORS PRESENT PLAY

Charleston, March 2.—The Juniors of the Charleston high school has announced the selection of the annual play given by the Juniors of the school. The play chosen was "Skidding", a three-act comedy by Aurania Rouverol. The cast has been selected and are coming along nicely under the direction of Miss Julia Pulliam. Dorothy Ragsdale and Sam Cox Goodin were chosen for the leading parts. They are ably supported by Netta Priester, Mary Faye Jenks, Junior Parks, Albert Story, Dorothy Gail Pemberton, Jay I. Morgan, Norman Harper and Barbara Ellen Scofield.

The date for the play was set for March 24, at the high school auditorium.

Try-outs were held this week for the Glee Club to go to Cape Girardeau in May. There will also be contestants in the Curricular contests and the voice contests. The curricular contests will include Latin, Geometry, Shorthand and Typing.

Of the ten girls that made letters in basketball, only four will be back. Those coming back next year are: Pemberton, Corbitt and Burke, forwards, and Kirkpatrick, guard. Those making letters and graduating are Williams and Dunn, centers; Cavett, Miller, Hequembourg and Louise Boyd, guards. Coach Minnie King is expecting a winning team next year, regardless of this fact.

Some of the track enthusiasts have already started training. The lettermen back are Goodin, Scott, Howle, Ellis and Howard. The girls that made letters are Lough, Marshall and Dunn. The schedule has not been completed for this season, Coach Marshall announced today, but will be ready in the near future.

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They Say—Says The Man About Town

By ART L. WALLHAUSEN

Writing Friday March 3, 3-3-33 may or may not be a good omen. All we know is that 88.8 on the trip mileage and 8-888 on the speedometer dial of our crate means another oil change and a couple bucks for the garageman.

The most important letter in modern history is the letter 'R'. I think it over. 'R' appears in new era, administration, Saturday and the 'R' is the beginning of Roosevelt and the end of Hoover.

Of all dadburned low down tricks this is the worst. Really, when a Big Law can't even have a date anymore without disastrous results, well, things have come to a pretty pass.

Fact is, the roly poly Sikeston law had to have a certain specifications guaranteed in his woman of the evening. She was not to be too big, not to tall, yet withal not too short and corpulent—you know, just right. She evidently was.

Evening came following sundown last Thursday afternoon, and, Westward Ho! drove the plastered trio!

****(denotes passing of time and a gradually lowering water line in hip flasks)

The evening must have been quite a success. In the headachey morning after our Constabula felt around for his badge of authority, but like Sampson shorn of his locks by a persistent Delilah, she had sent her boy friend home just plain, ordinary John Citizen.

Last we heard of Chickie, he was

quoting that famous old poem:
 Star light, star bright
 How I wish with all my might
 And then be mumbled something about getting back that shiny badge.

At last something to express my sentiments in four lines:
 No trick nor kick of fate
 can raise from me a yell
 serene I sit and wish
 for the world to go to hell

What this country needs more'n anything else right now is for some smart duck to tell us how to unscramble the egg.

If the pantless dictator of the bloodless revolution in India is really gonna direct a weekly newspaper, we wonder whether he will go heavy for prop-a-Ghandi.

Light plant engineers should learn that it's dangerous to call anybody except newspaper reporters "snoopers".

Tailors are snippers, army sharpshooters are snipers, news guys are snoopers. Even detectives don't snoop any more. They call it "investigation" and charge double.

And the boys down at the Air-Mist are still wondering why the little lady which sat down in the seat wired with a high frequency coil didn't jump. Any lady with enlarging hips knows the answer. She was insulated.

In other words, this lady wasn't insulted because she was . . . get it?

Below Manufacturers Cost

By Jessie Rainsford Sprague

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Storing Up Trouble For Producers

Recently a large food-manufacturing corporation in New York purchased a huge quantity of rice which it planned to offer the wholesale grocery trade at \$1.50 a case, each case containing forty twelve-ounce packages. At this price there was a profit to the corporation of ten cents a case. This merchandise was first offered to the trade through one of the corporation's Southern branches and for a short time sales were quite satisfactory. Then the manager of the branch telegraphed in to say that other food manufacturers had met the price and had gone one better, offering similar merchandise at \$1.45.

The branch manager was permitted to lower his price a nickel. A few days later he wired again information that competitors were quoting \$1.40, and again the corporation met the price. The game went on from week to week. At last accounts, wholesale grocers were buying at \$1.20 a case, with the prospect of buying still cheaper if the war continued.

At first thought one is inclined to believe it is no one's business if a group of food manufacturers choose to dissipate their assets in a price war. It can be argued that wholesale grocers are entirely within their rights in buying as cheaply as possible, provided they pass their savings on to retailers, and provided retailers pass their savings on to the public. But price wars undermine established values. It happens that rice growing is a basic industry in the territory where the food manufacturers started their fight. People who go to the local grocery stores and buy packaged rice at less than cost of production are storing up trouble for their neighbors who produce rice for a living.

Cutting Prices in the Dress Trade

In the women's dress industry price competition is particularly keen, some manufacturers claiming that certain lines are being sold regularly to retail merchants for less than cost of production. For a number of years a standard item in the ready-to-wear trade has been a garment that manufacturers sold to dealers for \$10.75. A great many New York manufacturers specialized on this single item. Of late, according to a number of manufacturers I have interviewed, there has been constant pressure from department-store buyers to break this price. The first pressure came in the shape of demands for a larger cash discount. Regular terms in the dress trade have been 8 per cent discount for payment in ten days from the first of the month following purchase. Buyers began to insist on 10 per cent discount; and some manufacturers, anxious for business, granted the new terms. Once the ten per cent cash discount became fairly general, further demands were made that the basic price of the garments be reduced to \$10.50.

According to my informants, profits in inexpensive dress manufacturing are exceedingly small; few manufacturer make more than 4 per cent on their annual turnover. And so, if the extra cash discount and the twenty-five-cent reduction in price were allowed, the manufacturer would be doing business at cost. Nevertheless, a sufficient number of concerns gave in to those terms to establish a precedent for the entire industry. At present, pressure is being brought to bear to chip another twenty-five-cent piece off the price, and the chances are good that some manufacturers will make the concession.

Nothing can be more basic than building materials, particularly

those that are used in dwelling-house construction, and nothing, it would seem, should be less subject to extreme price cutting. But let us consider what has happened to a single item in the lumber industry. What are known as "yellow-pine roofers" are used wherever a dwelling house is built. The boards are thirteen-sixteenths of an inch in thickness. They are used on the roof as a base for shingles or other roofing material. They are also used for an under-flooring, as well as for boxing up a house where the sides are to be weatherboarded, shingled or stuccoed.

Yellow-pine roofers require considerable manufacturing prior to being placed on the market. They are surfaced on two sides as well as tongued and grooved. At the beginning of 1922, when the inflated war prices had been thoroughly shaken down, yellow-pine roofers sold at Southern mills for twenty-two dollars a thousand feet. The price held at that figure all through the succeeding years of prosperity. Mills made a living profit and paid their help living wages. But by the end of 1930 cut-price competition had forced the price down to sixteen dollars. Throughout 1931 the price

was still further hammered down and at the present writing yellow-pine roofers are being sold for at the mill for \$9.50.

This is, of course, fine for the citizen who wants to put up a frame building. He saves money because he can buy materials at below manufacturers' cost. But perhaps it would not seem so fine if he knew personally some of the people who help to make his bargain possible. As this is written, laborers in some Carolina and Georgia mills are working for a dollar, and in some cases seventy-five cents a day.

It is to the credit of the lumber industry that some of the larger producers are doing what they can individually to end these demoralizing conditions. The president of a company with headquarters in New York and branches throughout the country has just sent out a bulletin to his salesmen in which he states that the industry has practically been operating without a price: "Most operations are sacrificing the value of timber, the depreciation charge on plant and equipment and capital funds".

Shopping for Bargains in Cement

His instructions to his salesmen are that no further orders may

be taken at below cost of production:

"We have put a price on our fir, hemlock and cedar lumber which is our lowest price. Our mills will not accept any order at a lower price. We wish to solicit business energetically and courageously on this basis, with the realization that it is for the benefit of workers in the lumber industry who depend on it for their livelihood and who have suffered equally with the owners of mills and timber".

A cement manufacturer has told me of a case where a large highway project came up in a Western State. Before the contract was let a representative of a cement manufacturer approached a contractor who was bidding for the job and offered a concession of fifteen cents a barrel, as a means of helping the contractor to get the job, but he did not buy his cement from the manufacturer. Instead, he told another manufacturer about the fifteen-cent cut, and this manufacturer promptly cut his price twenty cents and took the order.

I should explain that in the cement industry there is almost complete standardization. Buyers will

ordinarily accept any recognized brand, so that a cut of even one cent a barrel may be the deciding factor where a large order is pending. Cement has always been sold on a close margin. Manufacturers are well pleased at a profit of ten cents a barrel.

Recently, on a large dam job requiring about 175,000 barrels of cement a manufacturer offered a cut of twenty cents a barrel. Another manufacturer decided to retaliate and cut the established price fifteen cents more. The contractor had already agreed to purchase from Manufacturer No. 1, but seeing a better profit for himself, he repudiated the agreement and bought from Manufacturer No. 2. As a result, the latter is filling an order on which he is losing some \$40,000. The former is suing the contractor for damages.

URBANA TO VOTE ON CITY-OWNED LIGHTING PLANT

Urbana, Ill.—The Urbana City Council has set tentatively April 19 as the date for a popular vote on the question of municipal ownership of a light plant. The Illinois Power and Light Company at present furnishes this service.

The Council last night heard the formal report of Alex Van Praag, Jr., Decatur, Ill., engineer employed to survey costs of a city-owned plant, and discussed plans for retiring bonds which would be issued for financing the project.

Aldermen, placing the bill in first reading, are expected to approve the ordinance drafted, but its passage or defeat awaits the referendum.

BENTON STUDENTS TO PRESENT 3-ACT COMEDY

The Junior Class of the Benton high school has announced the name of the play given annually by the Juniors. The play is to be "Tea Topper Tavern", a light comedy of three acts.

The play will be given the last of this month, the date having not been set definitely. Mrs. H. C. Watkins, Jr. is directing the players. Practice started the first of the week.

Those in the cast are Virginia Eldridge, Jean Powell, Orland Bollinger, Bill Rodgers, Eugene Smith, Dixie Kirby, Tillie Rodgers, Gladys Boals, Mary Caldwell, Mable Foster and Margaret Adams. The play will be given in the Benton auditorium.

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Annual Report to the Holders of 42,672,418 Life Insurance Policies

DURING the past year this Company has maintained its strong position in the life insurance field.

Metropolitan's life insurance issued, revived and increased in 1932 amounted to more than Three and a Quarter Billion Dollars.

The income for 1932, the largest in the Company's history, showed an increase over the previous year of \$14,859,229.33 and amounted to \$921,953,100.70.

The Metropolitan in 1932

- paid to policyholders \$562,804,650.79
- added to policy reserves \$109,755,306.00
- set aside for dividends to policyholders in 1933, \$101,685,956.00
- increased its contingency reserve by \$26,550,000.00
- increased its surplus by \$13,541,501.95.

The assets of the Company at the end of 1932 were \$3,769,372,425.28, an increase of \$179,256,771.56 during 1932. New investments made in 1932 amounted to more than \$300,000,000 and cash on hand was increased to \$64,025,923.35.

After making provision for policy reserves and other liabilities, and after the apportionment of \$101,685,956 for dividends, the Company held, on December 31st, 1932, a contingency reserve of \$43,000,000, and a surplus of \$240,811,739.47—a total of \$283,811,739.47.

The strength of a life insurance company lies in the spread of its obligations over a long period of years and in a sound policy of diversification of investment pursued

through the years under expert guidance and in accordance with conservative investment limitations prescribed by law.

Metropolitan assets consist of

Cash	1.70%
Bonds—Federal, State and Municipal	7.70%
Bonds—Railroad	18.00%
Bonds—Public Utility	9.03%
Bonds—Miscellaneous	3.28%
Stocks—(Preferred 2.028%; Common 0.002%)	2.03%
Mortgages on Real Estate	
City 34.42%; Farm 4.38%	38.80%
Real Estate (including foreclosed properties)	2.78%
Loans to Policyholders	12.63%
Premiums, deferred and in course of collection	2.01%
Interest due and accrued, Rents, etc.	2.04%

The favorable mortality experience of the Company in 1932 has followed its careful selection of business and the continuation of its health and welfare activities.

During the year 1932 many leading corporations of the country paid millions of dollars to the Company for contracts covering their employees for Group Life, Health and Accident protection and for future Retirement Incomes under some of which continuing payments on the part of the Metropolitan will extend into the next century.

Life insurance is the most effective way of providing for the future of one's self and one's dependents. Through the Metropolitan approximately one-fifth of the people of the United States and Canada are making such provision.

Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1932

(In accordance with the Annual Statement filed with the New York State Insurance Department)

Assets	\$3,769,372,425.28
(Greater than those of any other financial institution in the world)	
Liabilities	
Statutory Reserve	\$3,195,064,184.00
Reserve for Dividends payable in 1933 upon	
Industrial Policies	\$50,648,419.00
Ordinary Policies	48,756,772.00
Accident and Health Policies	2,280,765.00
Total Dividends	101,685,956.00
All Other Liabilities	188,810,545.81
Contingency Reserve	43,000,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	240,811,739.47
	\$3,769,372,425.28
Income in 1932	\$921,953,100.70
Increase in Income during 1932	\$14,859,229.33
Increase in Assets during 1932	\$179,256,771.56

Note—The values used for stocks and for bonds not subject to amortization are those furnished by the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners.

Paid-for Life Insurance Issued, Revived and Increased in 1932, \$3,273,178,268. Ordinary, \$1,571,593,135; Industrial, \$1,555,395,118; Group (Excluding Increased) \$146,190,015.

Life Insurance Outstanding

Ordinary Insurance	\$9,903,141,559.00
Industrial Insurance (premiums payable weekly or monthly)	6,535,046,064.00
Group Insurance	2,542,555,585.00

Total Insurance Outstanding \$18,980,743,208.00

Policies in Force (including 1,349,680 Group Certificates) 42,672,418

(More than those of any other life insurance company in the world)

Accident and Health Insurance Outstanding

Principal Sum Benefit	\$1,345,345,796.00
Weekly Indemnity	12,341,911.00

Dividends Paid to Policyholders to date plus those declared for 1933 \$823,137,177.61

This is a mutual Company. There are no stockholders. All of its assets are held for the benefit of its Policyholders.

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY - NEW YORK

FREDERICK H. EGKER, President

LEROY A. LINCOLN, Vice-President and General Counsel

Better Breakfasts



GETTING up in the morning is not nearly such a bad business if one happens to live in England or France. There everywhere has a cup of tea, coffee or delicious French "chocolat" the moment he opens his eyes. It helps a lot.

Here one is supposed to go through all the tiresome business of dressing without any comfort beside—unless— and here's the point—he has the inward satisfaction of knowing that breakfast when it does come will be a hum-dinger.

Continental Breakfasts

Not So Good

Continental breakfasts are all right in their way. The trouble is they don't weigh much—not enough for us eight-cylinder Americans. We have to have a "Better Breakfast"—something

stance. We have a lot to do before luncheon, and we have to do it well. Something like this is what we want, and need—

Morning Punch
 Shredded Wheat with Raspberries and Cream
 Poached Eggs on Toast
 Coffee

Morning Punch: Combine two cups orange juice, two-thirds cup pineapple syrup (all from a No. 2 can), one-half cup raspberry syrup (all from an eight-ounce can), and four tablespoons lemon juice. Chill overnight. Serves six.

Shredded Wheat with Raspberries and Cream: Serve a spoonful of drained canned raspberries and plenty of cream or rich milk over shredded wheat biscuits which have been buttered on top, slightly dusted with salt and

SUPT. LEE STATES PLIGHT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN STATE

According to a statement made Friday by Charles A. Lee, State Superintendent of Schools, the public schools of Missouri are to receive less than half their apportioned quotas for the current year.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch in an article written by a staff correspondent explains the situation in the following words:

The last available school money for 1933 to be credited to the schools March 15 will amount to \$1,095,893. This amount represents 10.5 per cent of all quotas, Lee said.

The public schools received \$3,498,622 or 34.4 per cent of all quotas for 1933 last August. The March payment brings the total paid to \$4,589,516 or 4.9 per cent of the total apportionment for this year. The original quota for Missouri schools totaled approximately \$11,000,000.

New Method Helps
In commenting on the State's school finances, Lee said:

"The new method of distribution of school funds as provided in the new school law has helped materially to meet the crisis for this year. In addition, the schools received one-third of the ordinary revenue for a 20-month period, and in many cases the teachers are donating as much as two and three months' salary, all of which will enable the schools to be maintained during this year in a fairly satisfactory manner."

"The real crisis will arise during the next school year. Unless the State provides additional revenue, it is difficult to forecast just what the result will be. There is no question but that public education in this State is facing a complete breakdown."

"Our public schools are financed largely by the antiquated property tax system. In many cases the valuations have been reduced 30 per cent and the delinquent taxes have mounted, all of which, coupled with the extreme shortage of revenue for next year, will make it impossible for many districts to provide even a semblance of a satisfactory school program."

Plight of High Schools

"In case additional State revenue is not provided for our public schools for next year, we will find that thousands of rural boys and girls will be denied the opportunity of attending an elementary school because many districts will not have sufficient funds to provide even an elementary school. Many high schools will have to close. At least 100 high schools will find it impossible to open their doors next year without additional funds. Third high school facilities will be denied to thousands of rural boys and girls. The State will be unable to pay its high school tuition guarantee and, of course, the farmers cannot pay the tuition for the rural school children. Therefore they will be denied high school advantages."

"We can very well, during a period such as this, delay the building of a railroad or a highway, or the making of any kind of a permanent improvement and catch up at some later period, when prosperity returns. But not so with public education. If the children are denied their just heritage for any one year it can never be made up to them."

COUNTY AND STATE PRICES

In Scott County at the middle of February eggs were 10 cents per dozen, chickens averaged 8 cents per pound, and butterfat was 14 cents per pound. Grain prices were: Corn, 20 cents per bushel; wheat, 40 cents, and oats, 20c. Hogs were \$2.85 per 100 lbs. and horses, \$45 per head, according to county data collected by E. A. Logan of the U. S. D. A. and Jewell Mayes of the State Board of Agriculture, published today in The Standard for present and future reference.

During January and February, Missouri farm prices averaged showed some strength, since 19 farm products out of 36 leading crops and livestock showed increases; 8 held the same prices, only 9 averaging less than on January 15th.

Grain prices were slightly upward, with barley and cotton about the same.

In the fruit and vegetable classes, potatoes and apples declined somewhat; sweet potatoes were higher.

Among the livestock, hogs, veal calves, sheep, cows horses and mules are all slightly higher than a month ago, with beef cattle averaging the same, but lambs lower.

Horses throughout the State were higher than in January, showing a good demand, with ready sale in most of Missouri at this time. Horses have been shipped in to central Missouri, meeting quick sale at advancing prices.

Most of the prices in dairy and poultry products show weakness, except chickens, turkeys and butterfat, which remained around the same as in January. Eggs followed the usual seasonal declining course.

Hay prices were all slightly above January figures, except alfalfa and clover hay.

Among grass seeds, red clover and sweet clover were higher, but alfalfa and timothy seeds were about the same.

Comparing February of 1933 with February of 1932, nearly all farm prices were below a year ago, the outstanding increases in apples, horses and mules.

John H. Hyson and Maerose Paris, Wash Oglin and Lenora Masie, all of Sikeston, secured marriage licenses last week at Charleston.—Benton Democrat.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS FROM THE PARIS APPEAL

There are too many school inspectors, food inspectors, seed inspectors and inspectors of other sorts in Missouri. Old Russia in the Czar's palmist days was a piker in comparison with the supervision we Americans receive from official meddlers.

Or how would it do to round up all ex-foreigners who are dissatisfied with our form of government and deport them to an island of their own in mid-oceans? An experiment like this would be worth twice its cost, even though we had to furnish all the weapons and undertakers the deportees would need.

If Japan quits the League of Nations, what will become of the former German islands out in the Pacific Ocean over which she was given a mandate by the League after the World War? Japan answers the question by fortifying the islands and serving notice that she proposes to retain them. A nice solution would be to give the islands back to Germany and let her use those new battleships as collection agents.

Another lesson from facts that are coming to light about the criminal dishonesty of great New York banks in connection with the marketing of worthless stocks is the foolishness of putting one's money into another man's business. A little thought should convince us that we couldn't buy the stocks for love or money if they were as sound as they should be. Where is the grocer or butcher or clothier who would sell small interests in his business when he was running it with profit to himself?

Retrenchment in public expenditures? Sure Mike, the populace shouts with one accord. Very well, we will cut down some of our road expenditures. Never, never, the populace shouts. Very well, we will double the size of our school districts, having one teacher do what two now draw salaries for. Never, never, exclaims the chorus. Very well, we will discontinue other activities which absorb public revenues. Immediately all those who profit by these activities begin beating on tin pans and throwing up professional



al dust to distract attention from the main issue. And thus it goes all down the line. There will be no retrenchment worthy of mention. Nor will there ever be until people become willing to do without a lot of things which absorb public revenues.

KENT WILSON IN THE MISSOURI CASH-BOOK
The editor will agree to open

one or three new banks, as will Henry Ford, any time the Reconstruction Finance Corporation will loan him \$76,000,000.

Dolly Gann, who will soon be

MISSOURI UNIVERSITY HEAD WOULD NOT ACCEPT POST IN CHINA
Columbia, Mo., March 3.—Pres-

outside will write a story on the "inside life" of Washington. In other words, it will be a story of one on the outside looking in.

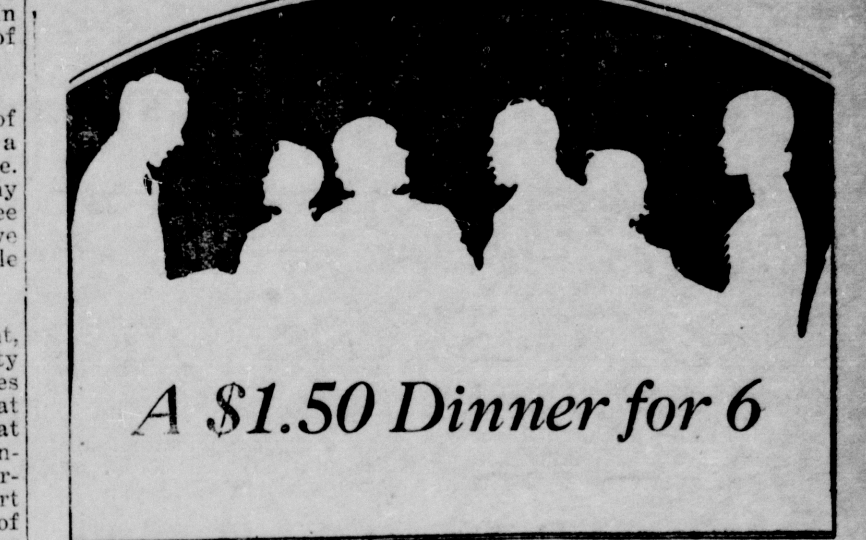
Senator James C. McDowell of Mississippi County is making a notable record in the State Senate. He is sponsoring several worthy bills and has made two or three speeches from the floor which have been subjects of much favorable comment.

It does not require any thought, information, or constructive ability to say that local school taxes should be cut. We all agree that the rate has reached the point that taxes are burdensome. An informed person who has the interest of the community at heart would accompany a statement of this nature with a program under which reductions in operating expenses could be made whereby the rate could be cut as much as five cents without seriously crippling the efficiency of the school. This paper would be glad to print any such suggestions.

A few of the leading Republicans of this county have set about to save Dr. (?) Joseph A. Serena as head of the Southeast Teachers College, despite his unpopularity. When a change of State administration was assured by election results these individuals began to cast about for a Democrat to land on the Board of Regents to supplant James A. Finch, whose time is now expiring. Forthwith Fred Naeter pronounced Giboney Houck, the titular head of the Democratic party in this county because he had supported Francis M. Wilson. Houck yearns for publicity as does a calf in the course of weaning for milk. Then it was that a campaign started to prevail upon Governor Park to reappoint H. J. Tolbert, a weak-kneed Democrat from St. Louis, and Giboney Houck as members of the board. Tolbert has been a Serena henchman. But shortly after the plans were laid a harpoon was hurled which will present new problems. There is little doubt but even though he does, Dr. Serena will find hard going.

ident Walter Williams of Missouri University yesterday announced he would not accept the position as minister to China if it were offered him. "My duty is here at the university," a statement issued by Dr. Williams said. "In these present difficult times I cannot in justice to the obligation laid upon me at the university leave for other public service." Friends of Dr. Williams had proposed his name for the post.

CHAIRS FORMERLY USED AT SIKESTON FAIR IN USE AT COURTHOUSE
Recently J. L. Matthews of Sik-



A \$1.50 Dinner for 6

Times are improving, but it would be hard to improve at the price on the following dinner for six people. We still want to get as much good food for as low a price as possible, and this dinner will cost, in most places, only twenty-five cents per person. It has the advantage, too, of including fish and so affording variety for most people forget to eat fish more than once a week. Here's the menu:

- Creamed Salmon, Peas and Cucumber 35¢
- Baked Stuffed Potatoes 15¢
- Broccoli 35¢
- Orange and Onion Salad 15¢
- Bread and Butter 10¢
- Peach Pudding 20¢
- Coffee with Cream 10¢

Most of these foods are easy to cook, but you will need these recipes for the main dish and the dessert.

Creamed Salmon, Peas and Cucumber: Make a white sauce of four tablespoons butter, three tablespoons flour, two cups milk and salt and pepper. Add the contents of an 8-ounce can of peas, the salmon, flaked, from half a tall can, and half a cucumber, diced. Heat and serve.

Peach Pudding: Pour the sliced peaches from a No. 1 can into a baking dish, and sprinkle with one-half teaspoon cinnamon. Rub together one-half cup flour, one-half cup sugar and one-third cup butter, and spread on top. Bake in a hot 450° oven for about thirty minutes. Cool. Serve with two-thirds cup light cream.*

It was a nice gift on the part of the Sikeston citizens and the members of the county court appreciate it very much.—Benton Democrat.

The Sikeston Standard, \$2 per year

MALONE THEATRE
TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY
March 7th and 8th

One show only Wed. eve., March 8th

On granite stone in letters of blood the law is written,
"East is East, West is West"

On granite stone in letters of blood the law is written, "East is East and West is West." East or West, man's passion flames reckless of race and creed. But hie Gods themselves take jealous hand when defiant love strays beyond the barriers of blood. See this great picture... a flaming story of a girl who came to save souls and lost her own. Of a General who spurned an empire for a dream. The gloriously dramatic story of a woman's soul, etched in living flames. Seething with conflicting emotions. Daring, taunting, heart-breaking.



Ethel Merman in
"Time On My Hands"
Masquers Comedy
"The Bride's Bereavement"

Matinee—Wednesday 3 p. m.

Prices for Show Only, 30c
FREE—3 pounds of Maxwell House Coffee each night.

BOXING

Malone Theatre
Enjoy Your Favorite Sport In Comfort
Sikeston, Mo.
Benefit Emergency Hospital Fund

MAIN EVENT—6 ROUNDS
Otis Bryant —vs.— **Art Jones**
Sikeston Poplar Bluff

WRESTLING
EXTRA ADDED ATTRACTION!
One Fall—30 Minute Time Limit
Blackie Monaan 198 Pounds Ottumwa, Iowa
vs.
Glenn Twitty 175 lb. Semo Champ Cape Girardeau

Semi-Final Boxing—3 Rounds
Big Boy Blanchard 170 Pounds Blytheville, Arkansas
vs.
Herbert Swinger 175 Pounds - **Dexter, Missouri**

Bulldog vs. Bluejay—3 Rounds
Walter "Mighty" Ancell vs. **Sonny Golightly**
Sikeston's Mauler Charleston's Challenger

Two 3-Round Prelims

18 Rounds Boxing **Curtain 8:30 P. M.** **One Mat Event**

This card will get under way immediately following the first show Wednesday Night, March 8th, at the Malone Theatre.
General Adm. 35c. Ringside 15c Extra. Gallery 25c

MALONE THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
March 9th and 10th

Matinee—Friday 3 p. m.



She helped everybody but herself! A Lady Bountiful with a ready song on her lips to hide the ache of emptiness in her own heart!

Paramount Sound News and
Andy Clyde in
"Artists Muddles"

FREE—Three pounds of Maxwell House Coffee every night.

News of the Town

By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581

Mrs. Roscoe Bennett of St. Louis is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lige Inman, and family.

Roy Anderson, who is stationed at Dexter with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, was brought to the home of his mother, Mrs. Minnie Anderson here last Thursday, suffering from pneumonia. Reports from Mr. Anderson Monday morning, were, that he was better.

If you have sent your Felt Hat to Faultless for cleaning and blocking you are headed right for Spring. Phone 127.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Buckles went to St. Louis, Sunday, to visit this week with his parents.

Shirley Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith, Matthews Avenue, is absent from school this week on account of sickness.

Teddy Anderson and family of Richmond, Ind., arrived Sunday for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Minnie Anderson and brothers.

Ewell Barger of Lake Village, Ark., visited Sunday evening here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Barger, and children, Ewell, Jr. and Betty Barger. Mr. Barger went from here that night to Portageville.

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Mrs. Lon Nall left Saturday for Hot Springs, Ark., where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Nall. Mrs. Nall visited with Mrs. Myrtle Merrell and sons in Poplar Bluff Saturday night, while enroute to Hot Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Blanton spent Monday and Tuesday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sexton and son, Jimmie, left Saturday for a visit of several days with the former's father, Alfred Sexton, at Harrisburg, Ill.

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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt plans to reduce expenses of operating the White House one-fourth. Her husband has requested that she present this example of economy in accord with the campaign pledge of the Democratic party that government expense be cut 25 per cent. There will be general approval of the fact that the President's family believe that economy should start at home.

Billy Van Arsdale, Purvis Orrell, Frances Bowman and Mary Alice Latham were guests to a surprise birthday dinner given for Ray Allen and Raynette Moll, Friday. The Moll children were celebrating their twelfth birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Fish visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cameron, at Marston.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Matthews and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moore of Poplar Bluff were in St. Louis, Sunday, where they attended the A. & P. managers' banquet held at the Coronado Hotel. Mr. Matthews is manager of the A. & P. store here, while Mr. Moore is manager of the meat department in the A. & P. Store at Poplar Bluff.

Mrs. Dal Harness and daughter, Miss Dalma, and Mrs. A. B. Carpenter of Chicago, Ill., visited Sunday afternoon in Cape Girardeau with the ladies' brother, Glenn Stevens, and Mrs. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vogel-sang of Cape Girardeau spent last week-end in Sikeston with

Mrs. Vogelsang's mother, Mrs. Mollie Harper and family.

T. F. Barker, who has been confined to his home the past two weeks from an injury received while at work, was reported Monday morning as improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Walker of East Prairie visited with Mrs. Walker's aunt, Mrs. M. E. Prouty, and daughters, last Friday.

Jim Miller of Diehlstadt visited here Sunday afternoon with Peg Mahew.

Mrs. Isabel Renner is on the sick list this week. Mrs. Renner is the mother of Mrs. Georgia Donnell and the Messrs. Renner of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powell were in Charleston, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. M. E. Prouty and daughters Mrs. Vivian Gunn and Mrs. Celia Davis of Cleveland, Ohio, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Walker at East Prairie.

H. J. Welsh, Harry Dudley and Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Wilson drove to St. Louis, yesterday. Mr. Welsh and Mr. Dudley going to the city on business, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson to meet the former's sister, Mrs. Oella Caudrey, and to accompany her to Sikeston.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leman Shell and Jackie Barger were dinner guests at the Eli Williams home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodman of St. Joe, and Miss Tyline Kendall of this city, returned last Thursday from a two weeks' vacation spent at Bradenton, Fla. Mr. Rodman went to St. Joe Sunday, while Mrs. Rodman remained here for a longer visit.

Mrs. Harvey Johnson will entertain at bridge this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young and children spent last week-end at Ironton.

Mrs. Duree Medley, Mrs. Gid Daniels, Misses May Pepper, Mary Emma Powell and Jenalee Sells were in Benton Saturday evening, to attend the finals in the sub-district basketball tournament held there.

C. M. Jr., Elwood and Betty Jane, children of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Taylor, are absent from school on account of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boner and son of Chaffee spent last week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rayburn. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dunneagan and son of Ilmo were visitors Sunday evening at this home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ritter and children left last Friday for a visit with their relatives at Marthasville and St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stacy and daughter, Patsy Joy, left this morning for a visit with relatives at Fredericktown and St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Adams and Burtis Moore of Canalou and Miss Maude Adams and Albert Keith Bess of Sikeston spent Sunday afternoon in Charleston visiting with Mrs. Ben Kenrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Joda Bess and children and the latter's mother, Mrs. Jane Smith, and Miss Florence Withrow and Miss Jeanette Seiberts of Poplar Bluff drove over and spent the day, Sunday, with Miss Withrow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Withrow and daughter, Evadna.

C. H. Harris was 89 years of

age, Saturday, March 4. Friends and acquaintances join in wishing this wonderful old gentleman many more years of life.

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The Co-Workers of the local Methodist church will meet this afternoon (Tuesday) with Mrs. T. F. Henry on South Kingshighway. All members are invited to be present.

The T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist church meets tonight (Tuesday) at the home of Mrs. Boyd Scillian. Mrs. Sarah Matthews will assist as hostess. All members of the class are invited to attend the "kid party".

Norman Davis returned from Jefferson City last Saturday, where he had been on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Kerr of Amory, Miss., and John Fehrenbach of Cape Girardeau were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Gmeiner.

The regular meeting of the Y. W. A. of the Baptist church to have been held tonight (Tuesday) at the home of Miss Beulah Swanner, has been postponed until the next regular meeting on account of the meetings being held to take the course "Pioneer Women". The Intermediate Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church, will meet tonight (Tuesday) with Miss June Marshall. All members are invited.

W. M. U. CIRCLE NEWS

The Mary Reed Circle held its meeting last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ernest Cox on Murray Lane. Following the business session, Mrs. Bill Hayden led the program, given from the book "Why and How of Missions". The next meeting of the Circle will be with Mrs. Lawrence Ray on Second Street.

The Jane Hasseltine Circle met on last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Dean Marshall. After the business session the lesson from the book "How to Pray" was given by the teacher, Mrs. Leslie Garrison. The next meeting of the Circle will be held with Mrs. Ruby Hamby.

The Mary Webb Circle met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Joe Mathis. At this time the members completed the book "Larger Stewardship" which they had been studying for the past several weeks. The next will be held at the home of Mrs. V. McDaniel. The members of this Circle will gather quilt pieces, which will be given to the Circle chairman, Mrs. Glenn Fish, who will later send them to the Old Folks Home in Ironton.



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FUNERAL HELD FOR WOMAN SHOT THURSDAY BY HER HUSBAND

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Ilmo Baptist church with Rev. E. Z. Newsum, pastor, officiating, for Mrs. Marie Powers, 38-year-old Forn-felt woman who was shot and killed by her husband Thursday afternoon. Burial was in Oakdale cemetery, near Commerce.

A coroner's jury was expected to return a verdict of accidental death, although a definite statement could not be had today.

A coroner's jury composed of six men called by H. J. Welsh to investigate the fatal shooting of Mrs. Marie Powers by her husband Aaron, shortly after noon Thursday at their home in Fornfelt was expected to report this (Monday) morning following a private investigation by each member of the body. The latter procedure was decided upon by M. E. Montgomery, prosecuting attorney, who with Sheriff Joe Anderson and Coroner Welsh completed a preliminary investigation following the affair Thursday.

Powers who seems to be held in high esteem by all of his neighbors and who for the past three weeks has been sick, was called to testify in the case. He and his wife were alone in the home of his mother, Mrs. Gibson, when the tragedy occurred.

"Yes, I was alone when this thing happened" Powers told the jury Thursday afternoon. "The girls, Frances and Lillian, went to school that morning. Frances came home at noon from Ilmo as she always does, for the noon meal, while Lillian, the younger, eats her noon meals at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ramsey in Fornfelt. She did not come home at noon. My mother, Mrs. Eliza Gibson, had gone to the home of one of her sisters, Mrs. Andy Miller, out in the country, about three miles, to spend the day."

"We ate dinner and I came from the table to lie down on the couch there, pointing to a day bed in the living room. After Marie finished washing the dishes, she came to the room and lay down on the couch beside me for a while and rested. After a little while I asked her if she would get me some chewing tobacco, and she said, 'Why sure' and got up from the couch."

The testimony continued with the statement that the wife went over to a dresser at the west side of the room to get a pair of stockings, for she decided to change clothes before going to the store. As she stood by the dresser, she looked out of the window and remarked, "There goes that little old dog again, chasing them chickens," I offered to get up and shoot the dog, the shot indicating, according to many times before this.

Mrs. Powers had changed her dress by this time, and had put on one stocking. She was seated in a rocking chair putting on the other one, when her husband returned from Mrs. Gibson's room with a Winchester pump gun. It had several shells in the magazine, but none in the chamber. He held the gun in normal loading position, threw a shell into the barrel, and in some manner discharged the weapon. The charge tore off a portion of Mrs. Power's skull, and lodged in a nearby wall, the position of the shot indicating, according to Coroner Welsh, that the weapon was held in a normal, easy manner. Had a deliberate attempt been made to shoot the woman, the shot would likely have ranged downward for the victim was seated and her husband is a tall man.

Immediately following the incident, Mr. Powers ran a short dis-

tance to the home of an aunt, Mrs. W. M. Turner, crying, "Marie is shot—send for a doctor quick".

Dr. G. T. Dorris was summoned immediately, but stated, following his arrival at the Powers home, that Mrs. Powers had died instantly.

The husband was nearly exhausted from shock and nervousness when interviewed by officials and members of the coroner's jury. To Sheriff Joe Anderson, Powers cried out, "Joe, Joe, take that gun outside and break it over a rock. I never want to see a gun again as long as I live".

Powers was ordered held Thursday evening.

MISSOURI SENATE REFUSES TO LOWER STATE AUTO FEES

Jefferson City, March 3.—An emphatic "no" is the senate's answer to proposals for a reduction

of motor car registration fees.

Fearful that a reduction would seriously cripple Missouri's farm-to-market road program, which is not more than 25 per cent completed, the senate late yesterday killed the Joffe bill when it was called up for perfection. Only six senators voted for perfection and twenty-two against, with six absent.

The decisiveness of the vote definitely ended the possibility of an assembly. The Weber bill, house companion of the Joffe bill, probably will never be called up in the senate, it was indicated today, since would face certain defeat.

SALVATION ARMY PLANS CANNERY AT GIRARDEAU FOR SPRING GARDEN CROP

Cape Girardeau, March 3.—Capt. Ernest Orchard, head of the Salvation Army here, has announced the army will set up a small

cannery this spring in order that needy families may can and preserve a part of next winter's supply of staple foods. Capt. Orchard estimates more than \$500 worth of food can be packed.

As I See It—

A bit of ironic humor was injected into the national bank holiday announcement by one major radio broadcasting chain late Sunday night. A program of dance music was abruptly terminated; the proclamation of President Roosevelt was given; then the regular announcer stepped up to the microphone and solemnly announced: "The orchestra will continue the program with the selection 'What Else Is There to do But Say Goodbye'".

Nuff sed!

After weighing two school teachers from Musket Ridge Saturday morning the Rye Straw Storekeeper said their parents, in naming them Lilly and Grace, could not have had at that time any idea how the girls would look when they grew up.—Commercial Appeal.

Washington Hocks says he narrowly escaped being tricked into getting an education when he was a boy by the dinner-like sound of the school bell.—Commercial Appeal.

The Tickville mayor and the town marshal yesterday had a conference on the economic situation. Atlas Peck says, they've held public office so long they should know what it means not to have any work to do.—Commercial Appeal.

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A Message To All Depositors of Sikeston Banks

In cooperation with the "bank holiday" declared by our President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, our local banks are temporarily closed.

Realizing that this situation imposes hardships upon

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who have bank deposits, we wish to state that we will CONTINUE to accept bank checks in payment for groceries, hardware and other merchandise.

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Acting in good faith and in cooperation with the President of the United States, our banks will observe this holiday period. This action on the part of the President does not in any way impair the financial stability of the banks in Sikeston. At the expiration of the designated period, the Sikeston banks will be open for business, observing whatever rules and regulations are imposed on us by the State and Federal banking authorities. This is a situation which we very much deplore, but must abide by it in the best interests of our depositors, our citizens, our City, State and Nation.

We are asking our customers to bear patiently with the situation and join with us in meeting whatever emergency is necessary for the welfare of each and every individual.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MORLEY

(By Mrs. C. A. Stallings)

L. W. Revelle, J. B. Kirkpatrick, C. A. Stallings, C. W. Cannon and J. S. Keese were at Benton Thursday to attend the Farm Bureau meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Tomlinson and little son attended the funeral of a great-aunt of Mrs. Tomlinson's at Birksville, Ill., Thursday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Losse of Fornefeld.

J. J. Hunter is having a machine shed built on his farm north of Morley.

A large number of new people have moved into this school district since the first of the year and some of the grade school rooms are crowded.

A revival meeting is being held at the Church of God with Mrs. Evans doing the preaching.

Mrs. Ronald Ryan was the recipient of a number of beautiful gifts at a surprise miscellaneous shower given here Thursday night by her fellow-teachers in the faculty of the Morley school. At the invitation of Mrs. T. H. Lee, she was taken to the home of Mrs. Hal Boyce, where the other guests were assembled and the surprise awaited her. She was a bride of the late summer and her husband is teaching in New Mexico. The teachers include: R. A. Moyers, Mrs. Arma Blackney, S. J. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Laval, Messdames T. H. Lett, Ruth Finney, Ronald Ryan, Misses Leda Daugherty, Marie Esmon and Dick Boyce.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Black and daughter, Mrs. U. J. Mason, and the latter's children of Vanduser were guests of C. A. Stallings Thursday.

Mrs. J. F. Grant and son, Kenneth, Joe Lowe and Alden Stallings were down from Cape Girardeau Friday visiting relatives.

Mrs. Ronald Ryan went to Oran Saturday morning for a week-end visit with Mrs. Earlie Carter.

The St. Louis Union Trust Co. is having three small houses built on their land two miles north of town on Highway 61 for cotton tenants.

Dr. C. D. Harris was able to go to Cape Girardeau a couple of days this past week and have some X-ray pictures made.

A large and appreciative audience enjoyed the music presented by the Chamber Music Society of Sikeston at the local M. E. church Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Creal May are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter Saturday, March 4. It is the second daughter and fifth child.

Mrs. Carrie Masters and daughter, Miss Ruth, were week-end guests of the R. A. Moyers family.

Mrs. Wm. Foster has been seriously ill the past few days.

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SEED AND FEED LOAN BLANKS TO BE READY SOON

By R. L. Furry, Scott County Extension Agent

Seed and feed loans for farmers will be ready in a few days. The field man for the Farmers Seed Loan will appoint someone in Scott County this week to receive applications. Just who this will be and at what towns is not yet decided. The County Agent's office will not handle it this year and has no information on it. Application blanks are not yet available, but The Standard hopes to give full information in its next issue.

Preliminary information is that the loans will be for seed, fertilizer, feed for work stock, machinery repair, oil and gas for tractors, not to exceed three dollars per acre with a maximum loan of \$300 per farmer. No loans will be made for hiring labor, food, clothing, livestock feed, payment of other debts or purchase of new machinery or new work stock.

A waiver of landlords rent will be required before a tenant may get on. The cash crop acreage will have to be reduced to 70 per cent of the 1932 acreage and the remaining 30 per cent will have to be idle or may be put in a soil building crop as cowpeas, soybeans or clover but cannot be put in anything that is a cash crop. The crop reduction does not apply where the 1933 acreage does not exceed 8 acres of cotton, 20 acres of corn or 40 acres of wheat, 2 1/2 acres of truck.

Each applicant must plant a garden large enough to take care of his table needs.

The rate of interest will be 5 1/2%, principal due on October 31. Applicant who borrowed in previous years and has paid only a part of loan may receive up to \$100 provided payments have taken up greater part of loan. Where the loan has been collateralized, it will be considered only part payment of previous loan, unless the present market price of the collateral will pay off loan and on that basis, under which conditions he may receive more than \$100.

CAPE TEACHERS COLLEGE REDUCES STUDENT FEES

The board of regents of the Southeast Missouri State Teachers College has reduced materially expenses of attending the college, both in incidental fees and dormitory charges. Incidental fees will be reduced 25 per cent, beginning with the Spring Term, and dormitory expenses will be cut to \$5 per week for board and room with the same service given as now prevails. Reduced incidental fees will include payment for student activity tickets and other privileges enjoyed under the former charges.

The reduced fees will be as follows: For the Spring Term, \$9 instead of \$12; Summer Term, \$15 instead of \$20; Fall Term, \$22.50 instead of \$30. This reduction has been made by the board to enable students desiring higher education to afford a college course during the present economic conditions. There will be no lessening of advantages and facilities in curricula, other than is made necessary by reduced appropriations. The Spring Term will begin Tuesday, April 18, with about the same schedule as last year. There will be three senior college courses scheduled and two mathematics courses, trigonometry and algebra, offered instead of one course as was given last year. Total enrollment for the Spring term in 1932 was 234 students.

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Robert Wadlow, giant boy of Alton, Ill., is 14 years old, and wears size 34 Peters Shoes, an International product. He is 7 feet, 6 1/2 inches tall, and weighs a mere 335 pounds. Doctors say that he will probably continue to grow for another ten years, due to some disarrangement of a gland governing growth.

Robert is pictured here with his father quite a normal human being who is at a loss to understand the boy's peculiar yen for imitating a bean pole. A young brother of Robert is quite normal as is his mother.

This wisp of a child is a regular boy in every way. He belongs to the Boy Scouts, goes to school every day and plans with all the boys his own age. He is interested in everything that appeals to other boys. His next pair of shoes will measure size 36. In ten years

W. B. A. RALLY HERE THIS (MONDAY) EVENING

A large number of representatives from the W. B. A. lodges of this district are expected to be here today (Monday) at a rally meeting to be held in the I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. May A. C. Sommers, State Field Director of St. Louis, and Miss Dorothy Hunt, Deputy Supreme Supervisor of Girls' Activities of Chicago, will be present for the affair, and candidates from Marston and Sikeston will receive the Degree.

This meeting and two others to be held at Poplar Bluff and Caruthersville this week will cancel the annual District Rally for April. Tuesday evening, March 7th, Miss

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DIEHLSTADT DEFEATS BLUE JAY FIVE FOR SUB-DISTRICT HOOP HONORS AT BENTON

The Diehlstadt basketball team defeated the Charleston quintet in the final game of the Subdistrict Tournament held at Benton, Saturday night, 18-12, to win the first place trophy. Both teams go to the district tourney to be held at Cape Girardeau next week.

Benton lost the game for the consolation trophy, Fornfelt winning by a score of 12-22. In the game for the consolation trophy, Sherfield was the high pointer for Fornfelt, garnering 10 points, with Bray next with 8. Charlie Harrison of Benton was their high scorer getting 5 points. In the championship game, Malone, six foot eleven center for Diehlstadt, was the high pointer with 14 points, Jones getting the other 4 points. The scoring for Charleston was also done by two players, Lutz forward, getting 8 and Ellis, guard, scoring the other 4 points.

The All-Star team, picked by the officials of the tourney was as follows: First team: Jones, Diehlstadt and C. Harrison, Benton, forwards, Malone, Diehlstadt; center, Ellis, Charleston and Holt, Morley, guards. The second team was composed of Howle, Charleston and Collier Diehlstadt, forwards, Sherfield, Fornfelt center, Brown, Charleston and Bray, Fornfelt, guards. Diehlstadt and Charleston each placed three men on the all-star teams, Fornfelt placing two and Benton and Morley one each. Iverson Michie of Cape Girardeau refereed all games of the tourney.

Sikeston Dropped 34-17
In the loser's division of the tourney played Friday night, Aniston nosed out Vanduser 20 to 19 in the first game. Chaffee lost to Benton 24 to 14 in the second tilt of the evening.

In the championship bracket, Fornfelt defeated Sikeston, 17-34. The Fornfelt five played super-defensive ball during the first three quarters, holding the Sikeston quintet to 3 points. During the last period, with mostly second-string players, they allowed the score to get closer. Sherfield with 12 and Tomlinson 5 and Bray with 8 were high pointers for Fornfelt.

Jones and Bandy with 4 each were high pointers for Sikeston.

In the semi-finals of the upper bracket, Diehlstadt won easily over Morley, 31-11. Malone, six foot eleven center for Diehlstadt, was the high scorer with 13 points. Suter was next with 5 and Collier on his heels with 4. Dickey was the high pointer for Morley, scoring 4 points.

Jefferson City, Mo., 408 Adam Street March 4, 1933

Mr. C. L. Blanton, Editor Sikeston, Missouri Dear Editor and Friend:

Today finds me yet in Jefferson City at work. After thanking you and my other white friends for the interest you took in securing a job for me, I wish to say that I enjoyed very much, having the privilege of seeing you in this city last Wednesday.

I hope these few words will not take too much of your time to read them. I don't know what to say about it, but I want a few words of congratulation put in the paper for having had the pleasure of meeting you all and talking to you face to face.

I met Hon. Mr. Munger and he had me to know that he was interested in what you and I were talking about. Thank you.

I listened to what I felt the best speeches I ever heard fall from the lips of any President inaugural address. I feel more like the country will in the future get back to prosperity if it will follow this man's slate.

Now in some way put this in the paper, so both there and here will see what I am saying through the papers.

I remain yours for the good of the Democratic party.

S. B. WOODS

ANCIENT JEWISH STORY TO BE COMMEMORATED AT GIRARDEAU MARCH 12

Purim will be celebrated by the Jewish community of Cape Girardeau at their usual meeting place at the community house Sunday, March 12, in celebration of the ancient story of Queen Esther. The Book of Esther holds an unique position in Jewish thought

and literature. The Purim festival based on the romantic story of this Biblical book. The story of the conflict between Haman and Mordecai who subsequently became Xerxes' prime minister. Ahasuerus was identified with Xerxes whose young queen was Esther, the young cousin of Mordecai.

Mordecai performed 'unselfish service for the King of Persia by his fidelity. He skillfully laid bare the plot against the King's life, brought the traitors to justice, and then quietly resumed his station as gatekeeper at the imperial palace. But Haman, the anti-semitic, could not control his hatred against the harmless Jew, whom he probably knew that the Jews were exempted from bowing or prostrating themselves before man on account of the teachings of their religion. Haman could forbear to demand this sign of servitude and seeing this calm resistance which infuriated Haman, he vowed to be revenged not on Mordecai alone but upon the entire Jewish race, and by influence of the Queen Esther the decree issued by Haman was withdrawn and the Jewish race was saved.

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URGE ALL I. O. O. F. MEMBERS TO ATTEND MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

Charles R. Bethune, secretary of the local I. O. O. F. Chapter, is issuing special reminders to all members urging their attendance at the regular meeting Tuesday night, March 7, at which time degree work will be practiced and reviewed. The Chapter is preparing to attend a district convention this spring on April 26 at Bonne Terre. Refreshments will be served "pot luck" style at the meeting here Tuesday night, the joker being that each member will bring either pie or sandwiches.

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Delicious Hash—Combine 1 cup grated cheese, 2 cups Rice Flakes, 1 egg, 1 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce, and dash of pepper. Place a generous layer in a buttered baking dish, add a layer of chopped ham and repeat using remaining ingredients. (1 to 2 cups chopped left-over baked or boiled ham required). Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) until cheese is melted and the top slightly brown (about 15 minutes). If left-over ham is not available use thin slices of cold boiled or baked ham.

Pork Roast Casserole—Chop 1 large onion and ½ green pepper finely, add 3 tablespoons Pure Cider Vinegar, and cook until Vinegar evaporates. Pour in ½ cup Cream of Tomato Soup and ½ cup broth (chicken, pork, veal or beef) and cook slowly for half an hour. Place slices or cubes of left-over pork in a casserole and cover with above sauce. Sprinkle top with buttered bread crumbs or Rice Flakes, and heat in a hot oven for about 15 minutes, until crumbs are brown and meat thoroughly heated through.

Braised Tongue With Tomato Sauce—Mix 2 cups sliced potatoes, 1 cup diced carrot (parboiled for 8 minutes) and ½ cup diced onion, with ½ teaspoon salt and pepper and arrange with ½ lb. thinly sliced cold smoked tongue in alternate layers in casserole. Pour 1 cup Cream of Tomato Soup over all, cover and bake at 350°F. until vegetables are tender and sauce rich and thick.

Left-Over Beef Casserole—Mix 2 cups ground cooked beef, 1 cup bread crumbs, ¼ cup milk, 2 slightly beaten eggs, 2 tablespoons Chili Sauce, 2 tablespoons melted butter, ½ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper, and place in buttered casserole. Cover top with buttered bread crumbs or buttered Rice Flakes. Bake in a moderate oven (375°F.) for about ½ hour. Serve hot.

Beefsteak Pie—Cut remnants of beefsteak or roast beef in 1-inch cubes (2 cups). Cover with boiling water, add 1 onion, ¼ cup Tomato Ketchup, salt, pepper and 1 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce and cook slowly for 30 minutes. Thicken with flour blended with water. Add 4 medium potatoes which have been cut in ½-inch cubes and cooked for eight minutes in boiling salted water. Pour into a baking dish and cover with baking powder biscuits. Bake in a hot oven (400°F.) for 15 to 20 minutes. Serve with Tomato Ketchup.

MOREHOUSE HIGH SCHOOL CARNIVAL A SUCCESS

In behalf of the Morehouse high school, we wish to thank the people of Morehouse and Sikeston for helping us to make our annual school carnival a success. Especially do we want to thank the business houses and all individuals for contributing so liberally to our country store. We also wish to express our appreciation to the teachers, students and others who worked so faithfully and contributed to the success of the program.

Without a doubt, from every standpoint this was the most successful of any carnival we have ever had. We had more people to attend, more plays and better shows. Last but not least, made



By JOSEPHINE GIBSON
Director, Heinz Food Institute

tables are tender and sauce rich and thick.

Left-Over Beef Casserole—Mix 2 cups ground cooked beef, 1 cup bread crumbs, ¼ cup milk, 2 slightly beaten eggs, 2 tablespoons Chili Sauce, 2 tablespoons melted butter, ½ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper, and place in buttered casserole. Cover top with buttered bread crumbs or buttered Rice Flakes. Bake in a moderate oven (375°F.) for about ½ hour. Serve hot.

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more money than ever before. Our total receipts were \$158.73, expenses \$17.38, leaving a total profit of \$141.35.

Thanks to all,
Morehouse High School

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO. MAKES GOOD \$10 CHECK FORGED ON LOCAL DEALER

The American Express Company this week made good a \$10.00 Express Money Order accepted by Sensenbaugh Brothers Garage February 15, and subsequently returned marked "forgery". One of the garage owners, under the impression that the loss would not be made good by the company issued a general statement to the effect that in the future no employee at any of the three stations maintained here would accept such items. Since the loss was made good, he has issued instructions again authorizing acceptance.

A letter quoted in part, from C. S. Taylor, manager of the St. Louis district of the American Express Company explains the position of the company.

"When a person purchases our Travelers Cheques, he may be as-

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MORLEY

(By Mrs. C. A. Stallings)

(Items for last week)

L. D. Helms of Vanduser was a guest at the J. F. Little home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Foster spent the week-end as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Abernathy in the Home District.

Fred Jones, Jr., of Sikeston visited his cousin, Joe Emerson, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Nations, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nations of Cape Girardeau visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Braxton Nations, during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Harris and daughter, Peggy Lou, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harrison and daughters, Mary Lee and Ruth of Benton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Lile of Sikeston Sunday afternoon.

Hall Dickey and son, Wilson were business visitors in Oran Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Pool and nephew of Hot Springs Ark., were in Morley Wednesday, renewing acquaintances.

Many Morley people are attending the Oran "talkies" and say they are having some splendid pictures.

Many tourists enroute to New Orleans to attend Mardi Gras were guests at Hunter's Cafe on Highway 61 the past week.

Mrs. Nora Sexton returned to her home at Metropolis, Ill., Saturday after a five weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. W. P. Clayton.

J. J. Hunter and W. B. Berry of Cape Girardeau stopped in Morley Friday, while enroute home from New Madrid.

Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Miller and little son of St. Charles were in Morley a short while Tuesday, greeting friends.

The contractors have completed the culverts on Highway 55 from Chaffee to the intersection of 61 near Morley and with favorable weather the new road will soon be completed.

R. K. Griggs of Sikeston was a week-end guest of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Griggs.

Mrs. Gus Slickman of Oran visited friends in Morley Monday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Ellis and baby went to Jackson Monday to attend a Ministerial Alliance meeting returning to Cape Girardeau Tuesday, where the former attended a layman's banquet that night.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Foster and children, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Foster of St. Louis were guests of Mrs. Elsie Norman during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker May spent several days at Charleston last week with relatives.

Mrs. Harris Foster accompanied her husband on his route as salesman of barber supplies, this week.

Mrs. T. L. Anderson, Oscar Dodson and G. D. Harris were business visitors in Cairo, Wednesday.

Dr. C. D. Harris, who has been ill since the last of the week, is much improved.

Dewey Norman was a visitor at the F. M. Friend at Oran last Thursday evening.

Insured through protection from this Company, provided he uses them properly. Should he be unfortunate in losing his cheques, as in the case of Philbin, we step in and undertake to secure the prosecution of the parties laying the cheques down, and in so doing, we have been the means of placing all the way from fifty to a hundred such crooks in the penitentiary every year for the past seven or eight years. In doing this, we think we are doing ourselves and every other reputable firm a favor, as if we do not go to the trouble and

expense to do so, they would be plying their trade on your good selves or some other firm.

"It is customary for us, where stolen cheques are laid down, to return them, as we did to you, thru the regular banking channels for a description of the party cashing the cheques and the circumstances under which the cheques were cashed, as you will appreciate it is only in this manner that we may be able to run down the crooks negotiating the stolen cheques.

"Inasmuch as you have very kindly supplied the description of the party cashing the Philbin cheques, and you saw the cheques countersigned in your presence, we are very much pleased to hand you herewith our check in your favor for \$10, and we will appreciate you mailing us our Travelers Cheque S-2722644 in the self-addressed envelope we are providing for the purpose.

"Attached to this letter you will find a facsimile of one of our \$20 Travelers Cheques and beneath it you will find instructions regarding the encashment of our cheques, and when so followed, we cannot

do anything but take up the cheques. The all-important feature is seeing that the party countersigns them in your presence, and if the countersignature is at all similar, as it was in the Philbin case, we are only too glad to protect you, as we are doing in this instance."

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

(By Miss Virginia Sharp)

(Items for last week)

Mrs. Ambrose Kerr entertained the Presbyterian Ladies' Auxiliary Wednesday evening of last week.

Mrs. Carrie LaVelle led the devotional and Mrs. Mary Simmons was leader of the program. Readings were given by Mesdames O. H. Gehrig and Linda Stewart. The hostess, assisted by her daughters, Misses Irene and Mildred, served dainty refreshments at the close of the evening.

Mrs. Burl Underwood, who was

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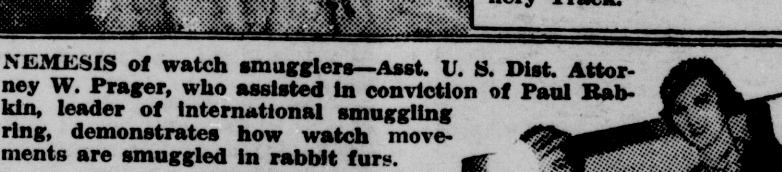
THE LAST DEMONSTRATION BEFORE HITLER RODE INTO POWER—Berlin police responding to a riot rumor emanating from the Buelow Platz, headquarters of the German Communist Party.



NOW THAT recent nutritional research has revealed the fact that canned pineapple has greater health value than any other fruit, Hollywood motion picture stars are eating the fruit daily. Here is Stuart Erwin, star of the first rank, enjoying his daily pineapple.



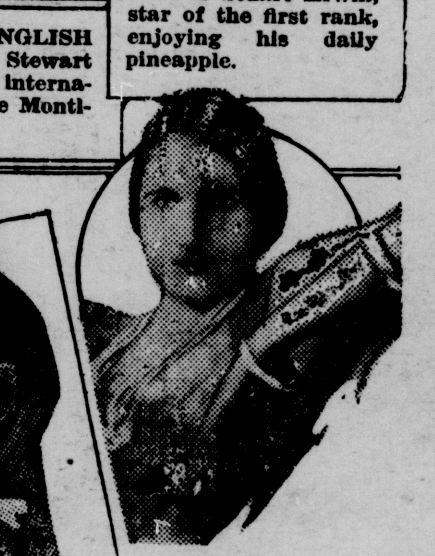
QUEEN OF THE ENGLISH SPEEDWAY is Mrs. H. Stewart who recently made new international speed record on the Montlhery Track.



NEMESIS of watch smugglers—Asst. U. S. Dist. Attorney W. Prager, who assisted in conviction of Paul Rabkin, leader of international smuggling ring, demonstrates how watch movements are smuggled in rabbit furs.



AMERICA'S MOST PERFECT MANNEQUINS, selected at New York Fashion Salon by committee of distinguished artists and fashionists headed by McLeelland Barclay.



NIECE OF FAMOUS COMPOSER, Margaret Speakes, whose uncle wrote "Road to Mandalay" now sings honey popular songs of that type on Barnsdall Oil radio hour over prominent midwest stations.

recently a patient in a Cape Girardeau hospital, now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Salyer in Parma, will return to her home here in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miles and son David, of Hayti, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stepp, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hawkins, who farmed the Mrs. M. V. Francis farm near LaForge, are moving Thursday to the J. K. Robbins farm near Marston, which they will cultivate this year.

The ladies of the Methodist Missionary Society had a pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. E. F.

Sharp Thursday afternoon of last week. A program was rendered under the leadership of Mrs. W. S. Edwards, Jr. At the conclusion, dainty refreshments were served by Miss Laura, who assisted her mother.

Abie Siegal and Olen Dacus of Portageville transacted business in this city today.

Miss Rebecca Jagers spent the week-end in Murfreesboro, Tenn., with her parents.

Mrs. Gordon Nance and Mrs. Scott Julian transacted business in Marston Wednesday evening.

Miss Ann Warden spent the past week-end in Jackson with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon B. Nance

spent last week-end in Jackson visiting friends. Mrs. Edith Harris and children, Mary Lou and Jackie Raymond, of Gideon are spending a few days here visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Harris.

URGES ST. CHARLES TO BUILD CITY LIGHT PLANT

An appeal to residents of St. Charles to approve the proposed \$300,000 bond issue for construction of a municipal light plant was made by Daniel C. Rogers of Fayette, counsel for the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities, at a meeting held Friday night at St. Charles. The plan will be voted on March 11.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEW'S

(Mrs. W. H. Deane)
(Items for last week)
Mr. and Mrs. Granville Mainord and little daughter, Lila, of New Madrid were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Englehard shopped in Sikeston Saturday.
Rev. D. M. Margraves filled his regular appointment here Sunday. A large crowd attended the Sunday evening services.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kochel of Canolou visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Elderbrooks, Sunday.
Mrs. O. L. Daugherty is in Sikeston with her sister-in-law, Miss Elizabeth Daugherty, who is very ill.

Little Martha Ann Story is very ill at this writing.
Mrs. W. H. Deane is still ill at this writing.

Mrs. Gordon Stroud and sister, Miss Iris Burch, shopped in Sikeston, Friday.

Wm. Foley and Herb. Walton of Sikeston were Matthews visitors, Thursday.

Mrs. Ernest Kellett and sons of Sikeston visited Mrs. Eva Mainord, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kindred, who have been operating a filling station here, left Saturday for St. Louis, where Mr. Kindred has a position.

Mrs. Holly Warren and Hall Puckett of LaForge spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Warren. Mrs. Adelaide Depo entertained the members of her Sunday school class Wednesday evening with a party. A delightful time was spent by the young folks. Refreshments consisting of cake and cocoa were served.

W. H. Deane and son, William, Jr., went to New Madrid Saturday on business.

Mrs. Jack Hartzel and little daughter spent Thursday and Friday in Sikeston with Mrs. Roy Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Holderby are moving back to Matthews from Sikeston. Mr. and Mrs. Holderby moved to Sikeston a few months ago. Their friends surely welcome them back to Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hunott and children of Kewanee were Matthews visitors, Sunday.

Mrs. Jones of Libourn was a Matthews visitor Saturday.

Rev. F. D. Baughn and wife returned to their home in Oak Ridge Thursday after a short visit here with Mr. and Mrs. William Deane, Jr.

Mrs. Cecilia Davis of Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. Ella Prouty of Sikeston were guests of Mrs. Maggie Hunott Monday and Tuesday.

Little Miss Mary Elizabeth Daugherty spent the week-end in Sikeston with relatives.

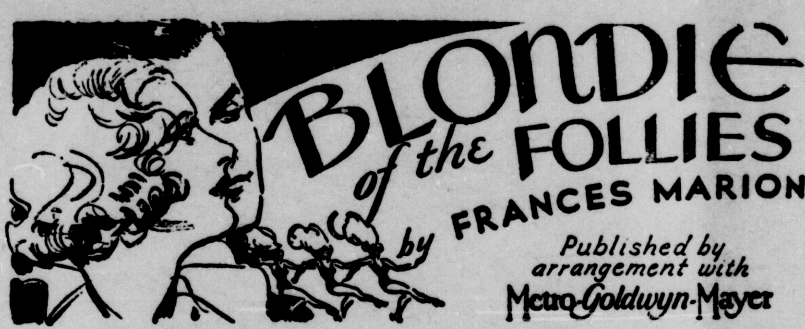
Mrs. Albert Deane and Miss Frankie Deane were Sikeston visitors, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Zimmer were called to Poplar Bluff early Monday morning on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Zimmer's mother. Mrs. Zimmer's mother fell a few weeks ago, breaking her hip. She has been with her mother during her illness. Miss Alice Deane is acting as substitute teacher for Mrs. Zimmer.

Mrs. J. A. Pell and Mr. and Mrs. Moore Pell of Commerce spent Sunday with Mrs. J. A. Pell's daughter, Mrs. Frank Sibley.

GEO. J. SMITH, JR.

WEDS MATTHEWS GIRL
Charleston, March 3.—Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Letha Irene Moore of Matthews and George J. Smith, of East Prairie, which was quietly solemnized in this city, at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. P. A. Kasey, pastor of the First Methodist Church of this city Thursday afternoon, March 2 at 4 o'clock. Only immediate relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony.



BLONDIE
of the FOLLIES
by FRANCES MARION
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CHAPTER III

"Hey, Blondie!" It was Ma's voice calling from the kitchen. Brokenly from Blondie, "Coming, Ma."

Before she entered the kitchen Blondie knew it would be the same old story. She knew it would be told in such a way there could be no answer from her. But this time it was disastrous. Blondie had to work. There were only two wage-earners in the family—Blondie and her father—and it took every cent to eke out the bare existence for that big family. How could she work if she didn't have a dress? Why, just the other day poor Sally Vogel had been fired from the hardware department because her clothes were too shabby and she couldn't afford to buy a new dress.

And Sally had worked at Lacy's two years!

But what did her family care, Blondie thought as she entered the kitchen. All they cared about was themselves! That whining Gert, and Pete, the lazy loafer! Then Blondie saw her mother crying.

"Aw, Ma, what's the matter, tear?" and Blondie put her arm round her.

"Look at me—look at me! Why

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should I weep to tell my own daughter? Ma McClune never finished a sentence.

"Ma—you spent my money?" Blondie looked at her searchingly. Her mother couldn't meet her daughter's gaze. She merely nodded her head.

"All of it?" questioned Blondie. Another nod indicating that was what had happened.

"What for?"

"Ma finally got out the words.

"I can't tell you."

"Why can't you tell me? Her mother was covering someone. Maybe it was Pete, who ate like a horse and never turned his hand to help feed his own wife and kids.

"It was my money, wasn't it? You spent it, didn't you?"

"I promised not to."

"Ma's voice trailed off in a fresh burst of crying.

"Who'd you promise? Tell me, Ma. I got a right to know."

"I can't tell you."

"Ma—you wouldn't... Aw, what's the use—what's the use?" and in despair Blondie rushed from the kitchen, sobs tugging at her throat. "That's the last time I leave any of my money around here—I'll put it in a bank—I'll hide it in my sock—I'll—"

Blondie stopped short to look daggers at Gert and Pete who were sitting calmly in the living room.

"What are you blowin' up about?" asked Gert.

"I'd saved that for a dress," and Blondie was looking straight at Pete. "Where do you all get off—spending my money like that?"

"Don't accuse me! I didn't spend it!" Pete, squirming under Blondie's glaring look, finally got up and with a martyred sigh followed Gert into the kitchen.

Well, there was nothing to do but mend the old dress and try to make a go of it.

She heard Gert's voice trailing in from the kitchen: "Quit cryin' in the stew, Ma—it's thin enough!"

"Stew!" It was Pete's voice, full of disdain. "I could do with a nice southern fried chicken."

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MISSOURI HISTORY

Courtesy Missouri Historical Society

(Floyd C. Shoemaker)

St. Louis was the center of a vast fur-trade in its early days. From the little frontier town, river boats, manned by sturdy Canadian voyagers, pushed their slow way into the will interior, laden with goods for Indian trade. And back again to the St. Louis wharf came the boats, loaded with a wealth of furs. Many of the prominent men of early St. Louis engaged in this active fur trade, and among them was Wilson Price Hunt.

It was on March 11, 1811, one hundred twenty-two years ago this week, that Hunt left St. Louis on an expedition of the Pacific Fur Company that was to establish itself at the mouth of the Columbia river in what is now Oregon. The place was to be called Astoria. The whole project was under the skillful guidance of John Jacob Astor of New York, a pioneer of vast business enterprises in America.

Sixteen men were in the party that left St. Louis with Hunt. A well-equipped barge was their means of transportation. Among the men was John Bradbury, scientist and traveler, who kept a journal of the trip up the Missouri. The party pushed up the river to the place where a majority of the expedition wintered, near the mouth of the Nodaway river, not far from the site of St. Joseph, Missouri, and from here on April 21, the expedition embarked in four boats.

At the Arikara Indian villages far up the Missouri, the party abandoned their boats and took to overland travel on horses. They did not follow the more northern route of Lewis and Clark who preceded them, and Hunt has been criticised for blunders he made as commander of the expedition. When the party reached the Snake river, the horses were loosed, and the expedition took to boats, but the river proved unsafe for horse travel. Finally, lacking food, and traveling by foot, the expedition broke up into small parties, and straggled into Astoria in the early part of 1812.

The company at Astoria began actively to gather furs. On August 4, 1812, Hunt sailed to Alaska on a trading trip, and later proceeded to the Hawaiian Islands. There he learned of the declaration of war between Great Britain and the United States and he hastened back to Astoria to warn his partners. There he found that Astoria to the North West Company, a rival British firm. At first Hunt objected, but later agreed to the sale. On April 3, 1814, Hunt left Astoria for the last time, and later that year the Pacific Fur Company was dissolved.

Hunt returned to St. Louis after his fur-trading venture, and resumed business. In 1819 his name is listed as a warden of Christ (Episcopal) Church there, and about the same time Hunt borrowed money from Astor to buy a great tract of land on Gravois Creek, eight miles southwest of St. Louis. Here he had a farm and erected a mill, known for many years as "Hunt's Mill".

In 1820 Hunt was defeated as a candidate for delegate to the Missouri constitutional convention. In 1822, however, he was appointed postmaster of St. Louis, a position he held for eighteen years. On April 20, 1836, he married Mrs. Anne Lucas Hunt, only daughter of Judge John B. C. Lucas, and widow of Theodore Hunt, cousin of Wilson Price Hunt.

Although as partners in the Pacific Fur Company, their association was not profitable, John Jacob Astor and Wilson Price Hunt were good friends. Astor frequently lent money to Hunt, and in 1831, Hunt owed the New York man nearly \$30,000. To settle this debt,

Hunt conveyed his land near St. Louis to Astor and Astor reconveyed 300 acres of it to Hunt. Astor evidently used his influence to help Hunt and proposed him as land office official and later as postmaster at St. Louis. Hunt died in April, 1842.

Hunt was a native of New Jersey, born about 1782. He came to St. Louis in 1804 and with John Hankinson conducted a general store. On December 18, 1804, Hunt is listed as one of the members of the first grand jury in St. Louis. On June 10, 1809, Hunt and Hankinson dissolved their partnership. Hunt may already have entered negotiations with Astor regarding the formation of the Pacific Fur Company, and in November, 1809, he left St. Louis for New York, where he probably signed agreement of partnership with Astor and others. Hunt went to Montreal recruited men for the overland trip, and proceeded by water to St. Louis, where he arrived September 3. The expedition left St. Louis for winter quarters on the Missouri on October 21, reaching their destination on November 16. Hunt returned to St. Louis from where he left again March 11, 1811, on his expedition to Astoria.

CHECK FORGERS HAVE HARD LUCK IN TWO SOUTHEAST MO. TOWNS

Dexter, March 2.—Three young men, aged about 20, were arrested here on charges of forgery and cashing forged checks. They are Willard Allen, Oden Blackman and Calvin Moss of Bernie. They are alleged to have passed a check at a store in Malden, for \$43.60, and became frightened while trying to pass another and fled, leaving the check behind.

Caruthersville, March 2.—Hal Moore, wanted in Potosi, Mo. on a charge of issuing worthless checks, was arrested here by local officers. He is alleged to have cashed a number of "hot" checks at various points in Washington county. On the way to Caruthersville, Moore is said to have cashed another worthless check at Steele.

MEDICAL SOCIETY TO MEET MARCH 9 IN POPLAR BLUFF

The Five County Medical Association will hold a meeting in Poplar Bluff on the evening of Thursday, March 9, it was announced today by Dr. F. L. Kneibert, secretary of the organization. The program will commence at 5:30 with a showing of motion pictures on scientific subjects at the Criterion theatre. This will be followed by a banquet at the Ducker Hotel at 6:30. Dr. Edgar F. Schmitz and Dr. Elsworth Keale of St. Louis will lecture on subjects of interest to the medical profession.

Physicians from Butler, Dunklin, Pemiscot, New Madrid and Stoddard Counties compose the membership of the Association. Physicians from Cape Girardeau and Wayne Counties will be guests of the group.—American Republic.

DIZZINESS

relieved by Black-Draught

"I decided to take Theodor's Black-Draught, as I had been having bilious spells," writes Mr. Chas. E. Stevens, of Columbus, Ind. "When I get bilious, I feel sleepy and tired and do not feel like doing my work. I get awfully dizzy. I know then that I have better take something. After I found how good Black-Draught is, that is what I have used. I guess it rids me of the bile, for I feel better—don't feel like I am dropping off to sleep every time I sit down. That, to me, is a very bad feeling. You can get Black-Draught in the form of a SYRUP, for CHILDREN."

HAVE YOU ? ?

HAVE YOU tried our new lubricated Anti-Knock, a high test premium gas 9c and tax.

HAVE YOU received FREE some of our beautiful useful Glassware?

HAVE YOU had your tires aired the latest, accurate way?

HAVE YOU used our Special Incubator Kerosene, the finest for lamps and stoves—5 gals. 50c and can \$1.00.

Premium Quality for Less
Tank Car to You

MARTIN OIL CO.

On Highway No. 60 Opposite Shoe Factory Sikeston

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM PHARRIS RIDGE

(By Zelma Kem)

(Items for last week)
Lafayette Holbrook, Gladys and John H. Johnson spent Saturday night with relatives near Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Johnson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schachabaurer and family near Canolou.

Misses Mildred and Margaret Crosno spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Crosno and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Crosno and daughters were Sikeston visitors Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kem and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Acee Johnson and family.

Misses Ruthie Crowell, Zelma and Louise Kem spent Sunday with Edwyna and Lois Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Heuser and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fletcher and daughter.

Edward and Raymond Robinson spent a short time Sunday afternoon with Raymond Johnson.

Gladys Johnson was the Tuesday afternoon guest of Mrs. Louis Kem.

Lafayette Holbrook spent Sunday with Virgil Porter of Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Tetley and daughter, Vera, spent Sunday at Morehouse.

Elmo Rayne of Fredericktown has been spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cowgur and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Overby and Clara Chapman entertained a number of friends Saturday evening with a party.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Heuser and children, George T. Johnson and Owen Johnson were Sikeston shoppers Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cowgur and daughters, Esther and Minnie, and Elmo Rayne motored to Bloomfield Sunday to visit friends and relatives.

Ruby and Chester Hunott of Matthews spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. Hill and family.

MISSOURIAN PRODUCES SEEDLESS PERSIMMONS

Buffalo, Mo., March 3.—Something new in persimmons—a seedless variety—have made appearance here. R. E. Montgomery, owner of the tree which produced the pitless fruit, now hopes something may be done toward developing a puckerless persimmon.

FREE! Samples of B. P. S. Paint

Will Be Given At Our

Annual Demonstration Tuesday, March 14

A special representative from the Patterson-Sargent B. P. S. factory will be present during the one day demonstration to give any information that may be desired, answering all questions. Feel free to ask them. We want to make this demonstration as helpful as possible.

B. P. S. Paints, Varnishes, Stains Also Glosfast

We want you to try B. P. S. Finishes in your home—that's the reason for free samples—not necessary to buy a brush. You will not be asked to buy anything. Bring your finishing problems—we will be pleased to help you and will demonstrate all BPS products.

We Cordially Invite Your Attendance

Sit Tight and Don't Rock the Boat

For a dozen years we have drifted toward an inevitable crisis. It arrived with a bang--Saturday.

We have a new leader at the helm---a man who started his "Do Something" program less than 12 hours after his inauguration.

He can do nothing without *your* help, and mine. And the most some of us can do is to sit tight---shut up---go to work---and quit rocking the boat.

Both Sikeston banks are in good shape, altho temporarily closed. So why worry.

Sikeston stores are full of beans and bacon. So why worry.

Sikeston farms are well stocked---so why worry.

We're doing the best we can---are you?

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THE EDITOR SAYS—

While in Charleston Friday afternoon we learned Sikeston is to have a new law firm. George W. Kirk of Charleston and Steve Barton of Benton will comprise the firm. Neither of these gentlemen need an introduction in this section as Steve Barton was a former prosecuting attorney of Scott County and has since practiced law in the county, while Mr. Kirk has been interested in educational work in both Sikeston and Charleston and for the past several years a practicing attorney in Charleston. The Standard will join in welcoming these gentlemen and their splendid families to Sikeston.

The Standard editor has been named a member of the Co-operative committee for the 14th National Flower and Garden Show, which is to be held in St. Louis March 25 to April 2. Now we know a Dahlia when we see one, and even a rose, if we don't have to say what kind. And we can pick out a sunflower, a tulip, and one or two others, but we are going to have to study up a bit on floral culture before we do any committee work or discussing of the show.

Hundreds die as a tidal wave lashed the coast of Japan Friday. Would it be wrong to think this might be a visitation sent to that Nation for the rapine of China?

Way back in the good old days a few shots of spirits frummenti has been known to make strong men weep and grow sentimental, but in these dry times it must have been branch water that caused Kent Wilson to pen the following: "It was the frail hand of a woman that unsteadied the arm of a would-be assassin of President-elect Roosevelt. It was the frail hands of a woman that washed the Master's feet and won for her an everlasting name. The hand of woman is in evidence from the cradle to the grave, always soothing, always administering in the little ways that make life worthwhile. The stroke of a woman's hand can brush the wrinkles from a furrowed brow of an adult, and dry the tears of a child. What chaos there would be in the home, in the world, without those hands!"

"A lot of ex-soldiers went to the training camp and didn't get overseas, but they got their teeth polished, their flat feet fixed and their bodies built up. Just because a man gets hit by a taxicab ten years later is no reason why we should take care of him for the rest of his life. —Al Smith.

The Milan Standard says Alice Roosevelt Longworth is showing a broad yellow streak by her catty jibes at the Franklin Roosevelts, and that the Franklin Roosevelts are demeaning themselves like well-bred people always do by ignoring the nasty things which fall from Alice's lips. "The world never thought it would live to see the day that 'Princess' Alice would show a streak of yellow, but she has shown it," the Standard says, "and all because another branch of the Roosevelt family is going to occupy the White House. Jealousy is a terrible curse and 'Princess' Alice seems to have a full grown case of it."

There will be much uneasiness from depositors in banks in every State caused by the closing of the doors of every financial institution. There is more money per capita than ever before whether you have your share or not. Crooked bankers and brokers in the East are responsible for the lack of confidence in banks and bankers. Unloading of worthless securities on the unsuspecting public, dodging the income tax by juggling their securities, selfishness and the like, is the bottom of financial conditions. Bankers and brokers will have to do a lot of explaining before they regain the confidence they once had, and they will have to pay for their explaining, too.

Sikeston's municipal light plant being one of the City's greatest civic projects deserves the unreserved support of all civic and semi-civic bodies of Sikeston. Many times it is found that these bodies in other communities are dominated to those friendly to the power companies for various private reasons, meaning that many times for selfish reasons its members sacrifice local civic support. That, in turn, means patronage to outside interest when that patronage should rightfully be placed locally. Sikeston's civic bodies, namely the Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce, should call the roll and see what its officers and members are doing toward making Sikeston's municipal light plant a success. They should study their by-laws and regulations and do this civic duty or reorganize.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL GIRLS' HOOP TOURNAMENT WILL BRING EIGHT BEST SEMO TEAMS HERE FRI-SAT.

Completion of sub-district tournaments last week-end in a number of nearby Southeast Missouri counties determined eligibility of contenders for the eleventh annual girls' tournament which will be held here Friday and Saturday this week. The original program, calling for sixteen teams, winners and runners-up, has been shifted to include only the best eight who will play a total of eleven games in three sessions—four games Friday night, four games Saturday afternoon and three that night.

The Advance sextet called Monday morning to inform local school officials that they could not accept the invitation this year. East Prairie, runner-up in Mississippi County has been substituted instead.

The schedule as announced, therefore includes, Doniphan, Hayti, Crystal City, Sikeston, Ilmo, East Prairie, Senath and Portageville. In the first bracket Friday night, Ilmo meets Senath at 7:00 o'clock, Hayti plays Doniphan at 8, the locals draw Crystal City at 9 o'clock, and East Prairie and Portageville will close the session.

The dope, given for what it is worth, does not give Sikeston much of a chance against the Crystal City girls have not suffered a first place in the Jefferson County league, and won the annual Troy Invitation Tournament. The Crystal City girls have not suffered a single defeat in thirteen games this season.

By presenting the very best teams in the district and area, local sponsors of the annual tournament believe that fans will see more genuine, first class basketball than ever before. Admission will be forty cents per session, or the entire tourney for \$1.00.

Police Chief of Campbell had accompanied the eccentric old man to Poplar Bluff because he feared personal violence and robbery if he remained in the Campbell district. Word of his affliction had spread rapidly following his arrest. At Poplar Bluff, Smith again pleaded with Erer to allow him to spend a few of his hoarded dollars to buy a railroad ticket out of this district, but Erer flatly refused, stating that he intended to spend nothing. He was allowed to sleep in the police station Tuesday night, free of charge. He was released with other drifters early the following morning and made his way to the railroad yards, evidently trying to hop a freighter south. About 9 o'clock, he came back to the police station to report he had been robbed. Police and Sheriff Les Massingham first understood him to say he had been robbed of \$14. They later found out that the sum lacked only a little of being fourteen hundred.

Finger prints taken by Highway Troopers Dace and Tandy, at Campbell were returned from the Department of Justice, Bureau of Identification, stating that Erer had been arrested some time ago in Oklahoma on a vagrancy charge.

Officers concluded that the man was suffering from some kind of a mental disorder, and placed his money for safekeeping in the First State Bank of Campbell. Following his preliminary hearing on a charge of ransacking a home, burglarly charges were dismissed and a small fine for vagrancy was imposed. His money was returned to him in the presence of C. D. Bray, Campbell attorney, J. J. Smith and Owen McCutchen, assistant cashier of the bank. Smith then accompanied the old man to Poplar Bluff and tried to induce him to purchase a ticket to another community.

Bids on several hundred Missouri farm-to-market roads were opened Saturday at the headquarters of the State Highway Department, but final placement of awards is deferred until the regular meeting of the State Highway Commission.

Included in the general letting, involving the expenditure of approximately three million dollars of road money, most of which will be running from Morley west to monetary roads to complete the farm-to-market system are several in the Scott, Stoddard and New Madrid Counties area.

The Richmond Construction Co., of Advance, was low bidder on Route SB Scott County, a road eventually go for labor on supplies, and involving the expenditure of approximately \$40,500.

The same firm was also low on a short bit of road starting south of Perkins, and designated as SP, Section 3, \$213.00.

A bridge on the Scott-Stoddard County lines over Little River received a bid of \$2800.

SP, Section 5, Perkins south to Heagy, also went to the Richmond Construction Company, bid \$7300.

In New Madrid County Route S. J., Section 1, from Gideon, north, also went to the Advance road builders on a tentative bid of \$9,000.

Certain statements made before the Commission last week-end when the City of Sikeston and the Missouri Utilities Company were represented at a hearing in Jefferson City had to be checked up. Attorneys for each will cross question engineers for the City and Utility Company at St. Louis meeting Wednesday. On March 10, the Commission is expected to set a date for argument by attorney and soon thereafter a decision of the validity of a certificate of public convenience and necessity is expected.

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Inaugurated Saturday



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UTILITY ENGINEERS CHECK UP MUNY PLANT HERE MONDAY

A group of officials including E. S. Billings, vice-president of the Community Power & Light Company, St. Louis, L. Ackard, public relations expert with the Missouri Utilities, H. A. Woodworth, of the Woodward Engineering Company, St. Louis and L. T. Ostberg, accountant with the Community Power and Light concern, visited the Sikeston Municipal Light & Power plant and office Monday, March 6, in order to gather data which will be presented Wednesday before a notary in St. Louis for the benefit of the State Public Service Commission.

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BAPTISTS TO OBSERVE "WEEK OF PRAYER" WITH PROGRAM STARTING ON 7TH

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist church of this city will observe a "Week of Prayer" instituted by that denomination with a 3-day program beginning Tuesday and ending Thursday afternoon this week. Each of three "Circles" or groups of the church will have charge of the several programs.

The Mary Reed Circle will have charge of the Tuesday program, the Jane Hasseltine Circle will be in charge Wednesday and the Mary Webb group on Thursday.

On Wednesday evening, the following program will be presented to the public at the church auditorium:

Piano solo—Serenade—Miss Grace Estes
Violin solo—The World Is Waiting for Sunrise—Edwood Taylor
Vocal Solo—The Beautiful Garden of Prayer—Mrs. L. R. Burns
Trumpet Quartette—Messrs. Slinkard, Taylor, Jacobs and Denman
Duet—Living for Jesus—Mrs. Fern Bowman and Mrs. Dellard Mott
"At Home", a Home Mission playlet.

Characters:
Mrs. Stevenson—Mrs. C. Meredith
Y. W. A. President—Mildred Williams
G. A. President—Freda Lankford
Indian woman—Mrs. Boyd Scillian
Indian child—Madeline Scillian
Mrs. Rimini—An Italian woman
Mrs. T. Clark
Mandy—a negro woman—Mrs. Anna Jones
Tom and Robert Stevenson—Glen Williams and Billie Ellis
Mrs. Barber and Mrs. Morris—members of W. M. S.—Mrs. C. M. Taylor and Mrs. V. Edwards
Vocal solo—Jesus Is Real and Precious to Me—Charles Maple
March Home Mission—Thanks Offering
Benediction—Rev. Garrison

Dr. G. W. Presnell is announced as a candidate for Alderman in the Third Ward of Sikeston. He needs no introduction as he has been a practicing physician for many years, is a man of mature judgment and if elected will make the City a splendid Alderman.

Unless some unforeseen development occurs before that date, the 460 workers in the Sikeston International Shoe Factory will return to work next Monday morning at the usual hour, said W. L. Hutters today. The plant was temporarily closed last Thursday evening to permit the installation of new machinery so that another type of shoe may be manufactured here.

For the past several months the local factory has been on a 4-day work sharing basis, so that the shut-down, beginning at the close today, of a regular work week, will mean the loss of only four actual working days.

SENATH BANKER GIVES SELF UP; SAYS HE WILL PLEAD GUILTY TO EMBEZZLEMENT

Delmar Doherty, former assistant cashier of the closed Citizens Bank of Senath, gave himself up Saturday night, March 4, stating that he had been in hiding in that city since the Monday previous.

Doherty had been shadowed continually since his mysterious disappearance from Piggott, Ark., January 25, where he boarded a train for St. Louis, and finally took a plane for Los Angeles, Calif., where, incidentally, he deposited \$2,975 in a bank. That money has been attached by Elbert L. Ford, prosecuting attorney.

President Roosevelt Issues Proclamation Suspending All Banking Until Thursday

Every bank in the United States and its territories remained closed Monday morning in observance of an official proclamation by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, issued over the radio late Sunday night. The "bank holiday" was ordered to extend through Thursday this week, at which time emergency legislation is expected to be forthcoming.

Many Missouri banks had observed an order issued by Governor Park last Saturday, which gave permission to close their doors temporarily. In Sikeston, both financial institutions remained open, but in self protection, declined to cash out-of-town items.

The situation in the financial world had been drawing toward a crisis for some time, and in many States, including adjoining States of Kansas and Illinois, banks were observing moratoriums or "holidays". In other words, Missouri banks found that items sent thru for collection were returned from banks thus affected. As a matter of self-protection, therefore, Missouri institutions were forced to adopt the policy of not issuing cash on out-of-State and out-of-town banks beginning Saturday.

A statement signed by heads of the Bank of Sikeston and of the Sikeston Trust Company Monday morning, follows:

To the Depositors of Sikeston Banks:
By proclamation, Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States, issued an order declaring Monday, March 6th, Tuesday, March 7th, Wednesday, March 8th and Thursday, March 9th as legal banking holidays in which no business of any nature can be transacted, under penalty of the law.

Acting in good faith and in cooperation with the President of the United States, our banks will observe this holiday period. This action on the part of the President does not in any way impair the financial stability of the banks in Sikeston. At the expiration of the designated period, the Sikeston banks will be open for business, observing whatever rules and regulations are imposed on us by the State and Federal banking authorities. This is a situation which we very much deplore, but must abide by it in the best interests of our depositors, our citizens, our City, State and Nation.

We are asking our customers to bear patiently with the situation and join with us in meeting whatever emergency is necessary for the welfare of each and every individual.

This situation is nation-wide, is not confined to Sikeston or Missouri banks, but was made necessary because of the trouble conditions existing in every State of the Nation.

SIKESTON TRUST CO.
BANK OF SIKESTON
To quote an associated press dispatch as published in the Cape Girardeau Southeast Missouriian today:

The holiday was declared under the Trading with the Enemy Act passed in 1917. It can be extended if necessary if Congress has not put through the emergency legislation by Friday morning.

In the proclamation Mr. Roosevelt empowered Secretary Woodin to "direct, require or permit" the issuance of Clearing House Certificates. Officials were at the treasury until an early hour this morning to work out such a plan to keep the channel of exchange open and insure the orderly conduct of business.

The proclamation cited "heavy and wide-spread withdrawals of gold and currency from our banking institutions for the purpose of hoarding" and "increasing speculative activity abroad in foreign exchange" which "has resulted in severe drains on the nation's stocks of gold".

To Stop Hoarding
"It is the best interests of all bank depositors", the document said, "that a period of respite be provided with a view to preventing further hoarding of coin, bullion or currency of speculation in foreign exchange and permitting the application of appropriate measures to protect the interests of our people."

Modifications placed upon the holiday would permit any bank that can gain the permission of the government to stay open and conduct its business as usual and accept new deposits to be placed in trust accounts subject to full withdrawal.

Ogden L. Mills, secretary of the treasury until Saturday, and his assistants worked hand in hand with Woodin to put the Clearing House Certificates into effect and give advice. Woodin said last night that the machinery for this purpose had not been perfected sufficiently to make it clear whether they would be uniform all over the country or vary from State to State or from district to district, according to the Federal Reserve system.

We are authorized to announce Dr. G. W. Presnell as a candidate for election as Alderman from the Third Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

The license deadline is considered reasonable enough, since it allows car owners a month and a half of grace after the expiration date for 1932 licenses. The Highway Patrol takes the position that if an automobile owner can afford to operate his car, he can afford to pay the required license fee.

Several fire insurance companies are curtailing operations in the neighborhood of Flat River, because of numerous fires in that section in recent months, according to officials at the Fire Prevention Bureau, which maintains offices in the Pierce Building, St. Louis. In a few cases policies have been cancelled, and a number of policy holders have received notices that the companies will not renew.

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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We are authorized to announce O. M. (Ichy) Arthur as a candidate for election as Alderman from the First Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Loomis Mayfield as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Grever Baker as a candidate for election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Gust Zacher as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Third Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Ed Smith as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Fourth Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

Charles A. Lee, State Superintendent of Schools warns that a breakdown faces education in the schools owing to lack of money. If Mr. Lee will concentrate on the first eight grades in school and give the pupils a solid foundation in spelling, English, writing and arithmetic, he will be doing the scholars a real favor. Cut out a lot of flub dub and maybe the money will reach through the coming school year until conditions improve.

The passing of Senator Walsh was a shock to the country, but as he was newly wed, we hope he died happy.

Much pity is wasted, we think, on the "poor fellows" who stand on the corner with nothing to do; climb on trains with no place to go, and beg a bite to eat at the back door. They have no ambition for future achievement and no hope for success in any endeavor other than getting something to eat. Neither have they the worries of providing a living for their family, an education for their children, meeting rent requirements on their home and office paying interest when due and reducing the size of their indebtedness; no fear of taxes or foreclosure, no thought of social or official obligations. They take life merely as it comes to them, and like our pioneer ancestors, need only food and shelter to satisfy their daily existence. Depression applies only to those of us who have followed civilization's urge to acquire something that others cannot get, and constantly fear that we cannot hold on to it.—Shelbina Democrat.

CHARLESTON JUNIORS PRESENT PLAY

Charleston, March 2.—The Juniors of the Charleston high school has announced the selection of the annual play given by the Juniors of the school. The play chosen was "Skidding", a three-act comedy by Aurania Rouverol. The cast has been selected and are coming along nicely under the direction of Miss Julia Pullen. Dorothy Ragsdale and Sam Cox Goddin were chosen for the leading parts. They are ably supported by Netta Priester, Mary Faye Jenks, Junior Parks, Albert Story, Dorothy Gail Pemberton, Jay I. Morgan, Norman Harper and Barbara Ellen Scofield.

The date for the play was set for March 24, at the high school auditorium.

Try-outs were held this week for the Glee Club to go to Cape Girardeau in May. There will also be contestants in the Curricular contests and the voice contests. The curricular contests will include Latin, Geometry, Shorthand and Typing.

Of the ten girls that made letters in basketball, only four will be back. Those coming back next year are: Pemberton, Corbitt and Burke, forwards, and Kirkpatrick, guard. Those making letters and guarding are: Williams and Dunn, centers; Cavett, Miller, Hequembourg and Louise Boyd, guards. Coach Minnie King is expecting a winning team next year, regardless of this fact.

Some of the track enthusiasts have already started training. The lettermen back are Goddin, Scott, Howie, Ellis and Howard. The girls that made letters are Lough, Marshall and Dunn. The schedule has not been completed for this season, Coach Marshall announced today, but will be ready in the near future.

The Standard, \$2.00 per year.

They Say—Says The Man About Town

By ART L. WALLHAUSEN

Writing Friday March 3, 3-3-33 may or may not be a good omen. All we know is that 88.8 on the trip mileage and 8-888 on the speedometer dial of our crate means another oil change and a couple bucks for the garageman.

The most important letter in modern history is the letter 'R'. I think it over. 'R' appears in new era, administration, Saturday and full the RmoRe 'R' is the beginning of Roosevelt and the end of HooverR.

Of all dadburned low down tricks this is the worst. Really, when a Big Law can't even have a date anymore without disastrous results, well, things have come to a pretty pass.

Fact is, the roly poly Sikeston law had to have a certain specifications guaranteed in his woman of the evening. She was not to be too big, not to tall, yet withal not too short and corpulent—you know, just right. She evidently was.

Evening came following sundown last Thursday afternoon, and, Westward Ho! drove the plastered trio!

****(denotes passing of time and a gradually lowering water line in hip flasks)

The evening must have been quite a success. In the headachey morning after our Constabla felt around for his badge of authority, but like Sampson shorn of his locks by a persistent Delilah, she had sent her boy friend home just a plain, ordinary John Citizen.

Last we heard of Chickie, he was it?

Below Manufacturers Cost

By Jessie Rainsford Sprague

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Storing Up Trouble For Producers
 Recently a large food-manufacturing corporation in New York purchased a huge quantity of rice which it planned to offer to the wholesale grocery trade at \$1.50 a case, each case containing forty twelve-ounce packages. At this price there was a profit to the corporation of ten cents a case. This merchandise was first offered to the trade through one of the corporation's Southern branches and for a short time sales were quite satisfactory. Then the manager of the branch telegraphed in to say that other food manufacturers had met the price and had gone one better, offering similar merchandise at \$1.45.

The branch manager was permitted to lower his price a nickel. A few days later he wired again information that competitors were quoting \$1.40, and again the corporation met the price. The game went on from week to week. At last accounts, wholesale grocers were buying at \$1.20 a case, with the prospect of buying still cheaper if the war continued.

At first thought one is inclined to believe it is no one's business if a group of food manufacturers choose to dissipate their assets in a price war. It can be argued that wholesale grocers are entirely within their rights in buying as cheaply as possible, provided they pass their savings on to retailers, and provided retailers pass their savings on to the public. But price wars undermine established values. It happens that rice growing is a basic industry in the territory where the food manufacturers started their fight. People who go to the local grocery stores and buy packaged rice at less than cost of production are storing up trouble for their neighbors who produce rice for a living.

Cutting Prices in the Dress Trade

In the women's dress industry price competition is particularly keen, some manufacturers claiming that certain lines are being sold regularly to retail merchants for less than cost of production. For a number of years a standard item in the ready-to-wear trade has been a garment that manufacturers sold to dealers for \$10.75. A great many New York manufacturers specialized on this single item. Of late, according to a number of manufacturers I have interviewed, there has been constant pressure from department-store buyers to break this price. The first pressure came in the shape of demands for a larger cash discount. Regular terms in the dress trade have been 8 per cent discount for payment in ten days from the first of the month following purchase. Buyers began to insist on 10 per cent discount; and some manufacturers, anxious for business, granted the new terms. Once the ten per cent cash discount became fairly general, further demands were made that the basic price of the garments be reduced to \$10.50.

According to my informants, profits in inexpensive dress manufacturing are exceedingly small; few manufacturers make more than 4 per cent on their annual turnover. And so, if the extra cash discount and the twenty-five-cent reduction in price were allowed, the manufacturer would be doing business at cost. Nevertheless, a sufficient number of concerns gave in to those terms to establish a precedent for the entire industry. At present, pressure is being brought to bear to chip another twenty-five-cent piece off the price, and the chances are good that some manufacturers will make the concession.

Nothing can be more basic than building materials, particularly

those that are used in dwelling-house construction, and nothing, it would seem, should be less subject to extreme price cutting. But let us consider what has happened to a single item in the lumber industry. What are known as "yellow-pine roofers" are used wherever a dwelling house is built. The boards are thirteen-sixteenths of an inch in thickness. They are used on the roof as a base for shingles or other roofing material. They are also used for an under-flooring, as well as for boxing up a house where the sides are to be weatherboarded, shingled or stuccoed.

Yellow-pine roofers require considerable manufacturing prior to being placed on the market. They are surfaced on two sides as well as tongued and grooved. At the beginning of 1922, when the inflated war prices had been thoroughly shaken down, yellow-pine roofers sold at Southern mills for twenty-two dollars a thousand feet. The price held at that figure all through the succeeding years of prosperity. Mills made a living profit and paid their help living wages. But by the end of 1930 cut-price competition had forced the price down to sixteen dollars. Throughout 1931 the price

was still further hammered down and at the present writing yellow-pine roofers are being sold for at the mill for \$9.50.

This is, of course, fine for the citizen who wants to put up a frame building. He saves money because he can buy materials at below manufacturers' cost. But perhaps it would not seem so fine if he knew personally some of the people who help to make his bargain possible. As this is written, laborers in some Carolina and Georgia mills are working for a dollar, and in some cases seventy-five cents, a day.

It is to the credit of the lumber industry that some of the larger producers are doing what they can individually to end these demoralizing conditions. The president of a company with headquarters in New York and branches throughout the country has just sent out a bulletin to his salesmen in which he states that the industry has practically been operating without a price: "Most operations are sacrificing the value of timber, the depreciation charge on plant, and equipment and capital funds."

Shopping for Bargains in Cement

His instructions to his salesmen are that no further orders may

be taken at below cost of production:

"We have put a price on our fir, hemlock and cedar lumber which is our lowest price. Our mills will not accept any order at a lower price. We wish to solicit business energetically and courageously on this basis, with the realization that it is for the benefit of workers in the lumber industry who depend on it for their livelihood and who have suffered equally with the owners of mills and timber."

A cement manufacturer has told me of a case where a large highway project came up in a Western State. Before the contract was let a representative of a cement manufacturer approached a contractor who was bidding for the job and offered a concession of fifteen cents a barrel, as a means of helping the contractor to get the job. But he did not buy his cement from the manufacturer. Instead, he told another manufacturer about the fifteen-cent cut, and this manufacturer promptly cut his price twenty cents and took the order.

I should explain that in the cement industry there is almost complete standardization. Buyers will

ordinarily accept any recognized brand, so that a cut of even one cent a barrel may be the deciding factor where a large order is pending. Cement has always been sold on a close margin. Manufacturers are well pleased at a profit of ten cents a barrel.

Recently, on a large dam job requiring about 175,000 barrels of cement a manufacturer offered a cut of twenty cents a barrel. Another manufacturer decided to retaliate and cut the established price fifteen cents more. The contractor had already agreed to purchase from Manufacturer No. 1, but seeing a better profit for himself, he repudiated the agreement and bought from Manufacturer No. 2. As a result, the latter is filling an order on which he is losing some \$40,000. The former is suing the contractor for damages.

URBANA TO VOTE ON CITY-OWNED LIGHTING PLANT

Urbana, Ill.—The Urbana City Council has set tentatively April 19 as the date for a popular vote on the question of municipal ownership of a light plant. The Illinois Power and Light Company at present furnishes this service.

The Council last night heard the formal report of Alex Van Praag, Jr., Decatur, Ill., engineer employed to survey costs of a city-owned plant, and discussed plans for retiring bonds which would be issued for financing the project. Aldermen, placing the bill in first reading, are expected to approve the ordinance drafted, but its passage or defeat awaits the referendum.

BENTON STUDENTS TO PRESENT 3-ACT COMEDY

The Junior Class of the Benton high school has announced the name of the play given annually by the Juniors. The play is to be "Tea Tupper Tavern", a light comedy of three acts.

The play will be given the last of this month, the date having not been set definitely. Mrs. H. C. Watkins, Jr. is directing the players. Practice started the first of the week.

Those in the cast are Virginia Eldridge, Jean Powell, Orland Bolinger, Bill Rodgers, Eugene Smith, Dixie Kirby, Tillie Rodgers, Gladys Boals, Mary Caldwell, Mable Foster and Margaret Adams. The play will be given in the Benton auditorium.

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Annual Report to the Holders of 42,672,418 Life Insurance Policies

DURING the past year this Company has maintained its strong position in the life insurance field.

Metropolitan's life insurance issued, revived and increased in 1932 amounted to more than Three and a Quarter Billion Dollars.

The income for 1932, the largest in the Company's history, showed an increase over the previous year of \$14,859,229.33 and amounted to \$921,953,100.70.

The Metropolitan in 1932

—paid to policyholders \$562,804,650.79
 —added to policy reserves \$109,755,306.00
 —set aside for dividends to policyholders in 1933, \$101,685,956.00
 —increased its contingency reserve by \$26,550,000.00
 —increased its surplus by \$13,541,501.95.

The assets of the Company at the end of 1932 were \$3,769,372,425.28, an increase of \$179,256,771.56 during 1932. New investments made in 1932 amounted to more than \$300,000,000 and cash on hand was increased to \$64,025,923.35.

After making provision for policy reserves and other liabilities, and after the apportionment of \$101,685,956 for dividends, the Company held, on December 31st, 1932, a contingency reserve of \$43,000,000, and a surplus of \$240,811,739.47—a total of \$283,811,739.47.

The strength of a life insurance company lies in the spread of its obligations over a long period of years and in a sound policy of diversification of investment pursued

through the years under expert guidance and in accordance with conservative investment limitations prescribed by law.

Metropolitan assets consist of

Cash	1.70%
Bonds—Federal, State and Municipal	7.70%
Bonds—Railroad	18.00%
Bonds—Public Utility	9.03%
Bonds—Miscellaneous	3.28%
Stocks—(Preferred 2.028%; Common 0.002%)	2.03%
Mortgages on Real Estate	
City 34.42%; Farm 4.38%	38.80%
Real Estate (including foreclosed properties)	2.78%
Loans to Policyholders	12.63%
Premiums, deferred and in course of collection	2.01%
Interest due and accrued, Rents, etc.	2.04%

The favorable mortality experience of the Company in 1932 has followed its careful selection of business and the continuation of its health and welfare activities.

During the year 1932 many leading corporations of the country paid millions of dollars to the Company for contracts covering their employees for Group Life, Health and Accident protection and for future Retirement Income under some of which continuing payments on the part of the Metropolitan will extend into the next century.

Life insurance is the most effective way of providing for the future of one's self and one's dependents. Through the Metropolitan approximately one-fifth of the people of the United States and Canada are making such provision.

Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1932

(In accordance with the Annual Statement filed with the New York State Insurance Department)

Assets	\$3,769,372,425.28
(Greater than those of any other financial institution in the world)	
Liabilities	
Statutory Reserve	\$3,195,064,184.00
Reserve for Dividends payable in 1933 upon	
Industrial Policies	\$50,648,419.00
Ordinary Policies	48,756,772.00
Accident and Health Policies	2,280,765.00
Total Dividends	101,685,956.00
All Other Liabilities	188,810,545.81
Contingency Reserve	43,000,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	240,811,739.47
	\$3,769,372,425.28
Income in 1932	\$921,953,100.70
Increase in Income during 1932	\$14,859,229.33
Increase in Assets during 1932	\$179,256,771.56

Note—The values used for stocks and for bonds not subject to amortization are those furnished by the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners.

Paid-for Life Insurance Issued, Revived and Increased in 1932, \$3,273,178,268. Ordinary, \$1,571,593,135; Industrial, \$1,555,395,118; Group (Excluding Increased) \$146,190,015.

Life Insurance Outstanding

Ordinary Insurance \$9,903,141,559.00
 Industrial Insurance (premiums payable weekly or monthly) 6,535,046,064.00
 Group Insurance 2,542,555,585.00

Total Insurance Outstanding \$18,980,743,208.00
 Policies in Force (including 1,349,680 Group Certificates) 42,672,418
 (More than those of any other life insurance company in the world)

Accident and Health Insurance Outstanding

Principal Sum Benefit \$1,345,345,796.00
 Weekly Indemnity 12,341,911.00

Dividends Paid to Policyholders to date plus those declared for 1933 \$823,137,177.61

This is a mutual Company. There are no stockholders.
 All of its assets are held for the benefit of its Policyholders.

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY - NEW YORK

FREDERICK H. ECKER, President

LEROY A. LINCOLN, Vice-President and General Counsel

Better Breakfasts



GETTING up in the morning is not nearly such a bad business if one happens to live in England or France. There everyone has a cup of tea, coffee or delicious French "chocolat" the moment he opens his eyes. It helps a lot.

Here one is supposed to go through all the tireome business of dressing without any comfort inside—unless—and here's the point—he has the inward satisfaction of knowing that breakfast when it does come will be a hum-dinger.

Continental Breakfasts Not So Good

Continental breakfasts are all right in their way. The trouble is they don't weigh much—not enough for us eight-cylinder Americans. We have to have a "Better Breakfast"—something that tastes good and has sub-

stance. We have a lot to do before luncheon, and we have to do it well. Something like this is what we want, and need—

Morning Punch
 Shredded Wheat with Raspberries and Cream
 Poached Eggs on Toast
 Coffee

Morning Punch: Combine two cups orange juice, two-thirds cup pineapple syrup (all from a No. 2 can), one-half cup raspberry syrup (all from an eight-ounce can), and four tablespoons lemon juice. Chill overnight. Serves six.

Shredded Wheat with Raspberries and Cream: Serve a spoonful of drained canned raspberries and plenty of cream or rich milk over shredded wheat biscuits which have been buttered on top, slightly dusted with salt and heated in the oven.

SUPT. LEE STATES
PLIGHT OF PUBLIC
SCHOOLS IN STATE

According to a statement made Friday by Charles A. Lee, State Superintendent of Schools, the public schools of Missouri are to receive less than half their apportioned quotas for the current year.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch in an article written by a staff correspondent explains the situation in the following words:

The last available school money for 1933 to be credited to the schools March 15 will amount to \$1,095,893. This amount represents 10.5 per cent of all quotas, Lee said.

The public schools received \$3,493,622 or 34.4 per cent of all quotas for 1933 last August. The March payment brings the total paid to \$4,589,516 or 4.9 per cent of the total apportionment for this year. The original quota for Missouri schools totaled approximately \$11,000,000.

New Method Helps

In commenting on the State's school finances, Lee said: "The new method of distribution of school funds as provided in the new school law has helped materially to meet the crisis for this year. In addition, the schools received one-third of the ordinary revenue for a 20-month period, and in many cases the teachers are donating as much as two and three months' salary, all of which will enable the schools to be maintained during this year in a fairly satisfactory manner."

"The real crisis will arise during the next school year. Unless the State provides additional revenue, it is difficult to forecast just what the result will be. There is no question but that public education in this State is facing a complete breakdown."

"Our public schools are financed largely by the antiquated property tax system. In many cases the valuations have been reduced 30 per cent and the delinquent taxes have mounted, all of which, coupled with the extreme shortage of revenue for next year, will make it impossible for many districts to provide even a semblance of a satisfactory school program."

Plight of High Schools

"In case additional State revenue is not provided for our public schools for next year, we will find that thousands of rural boys and girls will be denied the opportunity of attending an elementary school because many districts will not have sufficient funds to provide even an elementary school. Many high schools will have to close. At least 100 high schools will find it impossible to open their doors next year without additional funds. Third high school facilities will be denied to thousands of rural boys and girls. The State will be unable to pay its high school tuition guarantee and, of course, the farmers cannot pay the tuition for the rural school children. Therefore they will be denied high school advantages."

"We can very well, during a period such as this, delay the building of a railroad or a highway, or the making of any kind of a permanent improvement and catch up at some later period, when property returns. But not so with public education. If the children are denied their just heritage for any one year it can never be made up to them."

COUNTY AND STATE PRICES

In Scott County at the middle of February eggs were 10 cents per dozen, chickens averaged 8 cents per pound, and butterfat was 14 cents per pound. Grain prices were: Corn, 20 cents per bushel; wheat, 40 cents, and oats, 20c. Hogs were \$2.85 per 100 lbs. and horses, \$45 per head, according to county data collected by E. A. Logan of the U. S. D. A. and Jewell Mayes of the State Board of Agriculture, published today in The Standard for present and future reference.

During January and February, Missouri farm prices averages showed some strength, since 19 farm products out of 36 leading crops and livestock showed increases; 8 held the same prices, only 9 averaging less than on January 15th.

Grain prices were slightly upward, with barley and cotton about the same.

In the fruit and vegetable classes, potatoes and apples declined somewhat; sweet potatoes were higher.

Among the livestock, hogs, veal calves, sheep, cows, horses and mules are all slightly higher than a month ago, with beef cattle averaging the same, but lambs lower.

Horses throughout the State were higher than in January, showing a good demand, with ready sale in most of Missouri at this time. Horses have been shipped in to central Missouri, meeting quick sale at advancing prices. Most of the prices in dairy and poultry products show weakness, except chickens, turkeys and butterfat, which remained around the same as in January. Eggs followed the usual seasonal declining course.

Hay prices were all slightly above January figures, except alfalfa and clover hay.

Among grass seeds, red clover and sweet clover were higher, but alfalfa and timothy seeds were about the same.

Comparing February of 1933 with February of 1932, nearly all farm prices were below a year ago, the outstanding increases in apples, horses and mules.

John H. Hyton and Maerose Paris, Wash Oglin and Lenora Massie, all of Sikeston, secured marriage licenses last week at Charleston.—Benton Democrat.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS
FROM THE PARIS APPEAL

There are too many school inspectors, food inspectors, seed inspectors and inspectors of other sorts in Missouri. Old Russia in the Czar's palmist days was a piker in comparison with the supervision we Americans receive from official meddlers.

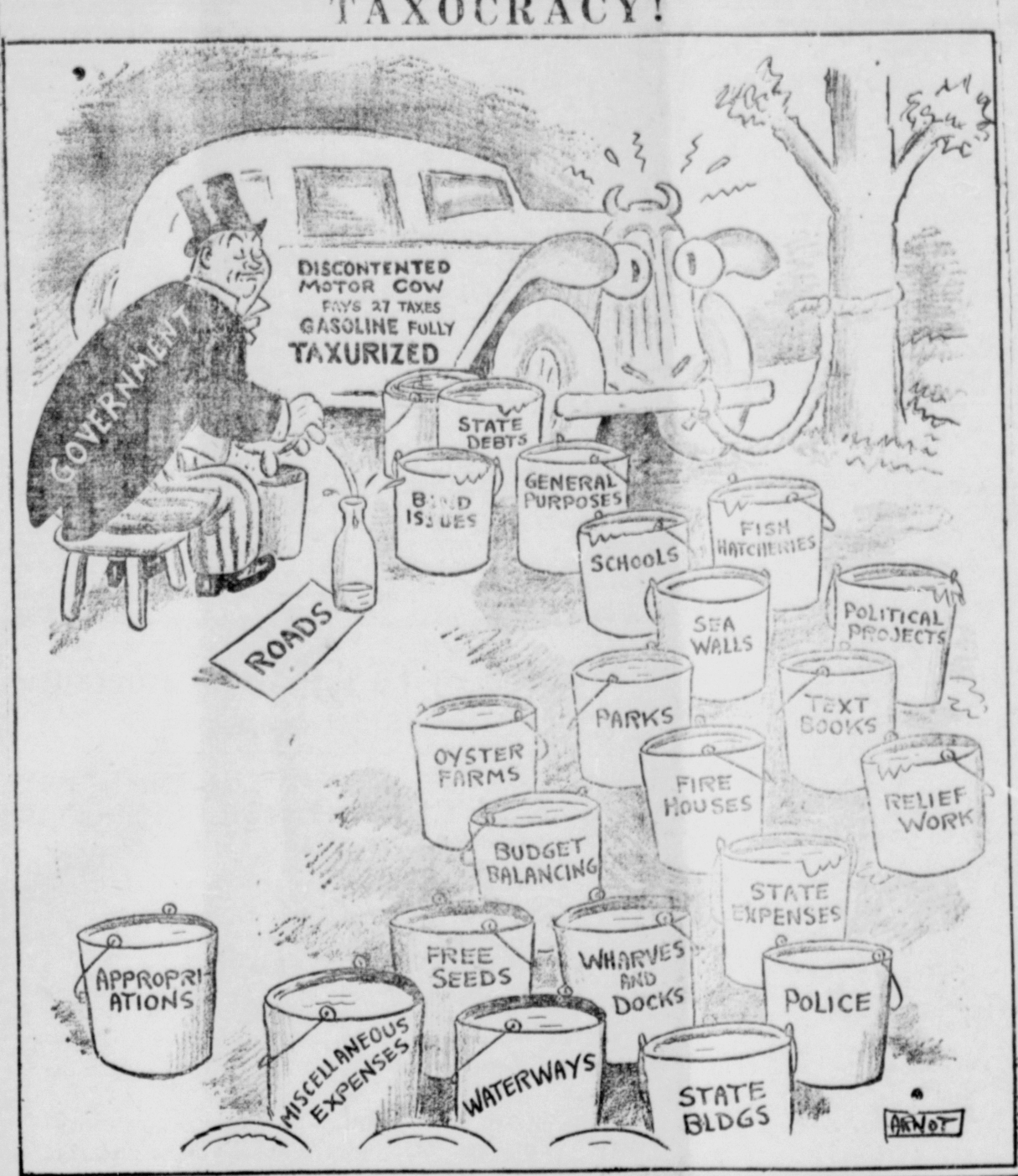
Or how would it do to round up all ex-foreigners who are dissatisfied with our form of government and deport them to an island of their own in mid-oceans? An experiment like this would be worth twice its cost, even though we had to furnish all the weapons and undertakers the deportees would need.

If Japan quits the League of Nations, what will become of the former German islands out in the Pacific Ocean over which she was given a mandate by the League after the World War? Japan answers the question by fortifying the islands and serving notice that she proposes to retain them. A nice solution would be to give the islands back to Germany and let her use those new battleships as collection agents.

Another lesson from facts that are coming to light about the criminal dishonesty of great New York banks in connection with the marketing of worthless stocks is the foolishness of putting one's money into another man's business. A little thought should convince us that we couldn't buy the stocks for love or money if they were as sound as they should be. Where is the grocer or butcher or other who would sell small interests in his business when he was running it with profit to himself?

Retrenchment in public expenditures? Sure Mike, the populace shouts with one accord. Very well, we will cut down some on our road expenditures. Never, never, the populace shouts. Very well, we will double the size of our school districts, having one teacher do what two now draw salaries for. Never, never, exclaims the chorus. Very well, we will discontinue other activities which absorb public revenues. Immediately all those who profit by these activities begin beating on tin pans and throwing up professional

dust to distract attention from the main issue. And thus it goes all down the line. There will be no retrenchment worthy of mention. Nor will there ever be until people become willing to do



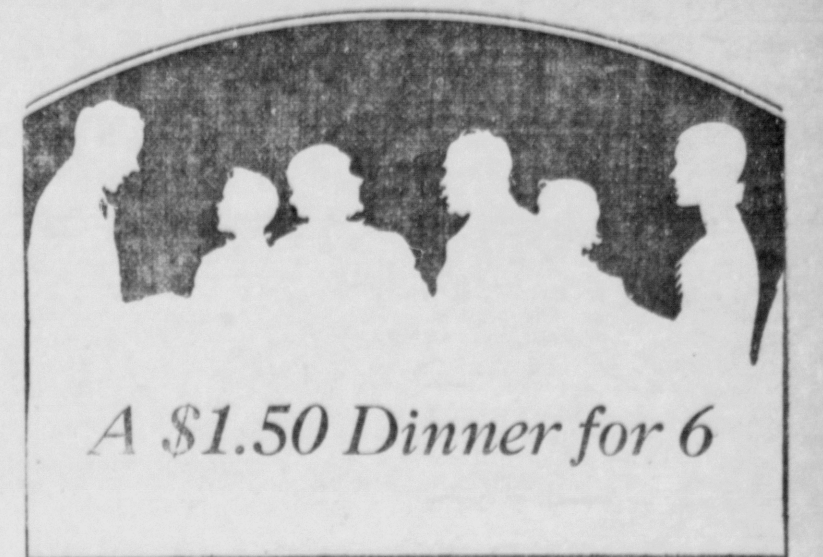
without a lot of things which absorb public revenues. KENT WILSON IN THE MISSOURI CASH-BOOK The editor will agree to open one or three new banks, as will Henry Ford, any time the Reconstruction Finance Corporation will loan him \$76,000,000. Missouri University HEAD WOULD NOT ACCEPT POST IN CHINA Columbia, Mo., March 3.—Pres-

outside will write a story on the "inside life" of Washington. In other words, it will be a story of one on the outside looking in.

Senator James C. McDowell of Mississippi County is making a notable record in the State Senate. He is sponsoring several worthy bills and has made two or three speeches from the floor which have been subjects of much favorable comment.

It does not require any thought, information, or constructive ability to say that local school taxes should be cut. We all agree that the rate has reached the point that taxes are burdensome. An informed person who has the interest of the community at heart would accompany a statement of this nature with a program under which reductions in operating expenses could be made whereby the rate could be cut as much as five cents without seriously crippling the efficiency of the school. This paper would be glad to print any such suggestions.

A few of the leading Republicans of this county have set about to save Dr. (?) Joseph A. Serena as head of the Southeast Teachers College, despite his unpopularity. When a change of State administration was assured by election results these individuals began to cast about for a Democrat to land on the Board of Regents to supplant James A. Finch, whose time is now expiring. Forthwith Fred Naeter pronounced Giboney Houck, the titular head of the Democratic party in this county because he had supported Francis M. Wilson. Houck years for publicity as does a calf in the course of weaning for milk. Then it was that a campaign started to prevail upon Governor Park to reappoint H. J. Tolbert, a weak-kneed Democrat from St. Louis, and Giboney Houck as members of the board. Tolbert has been a Serena henchman. But shortly after the plans were laid a harpoon was hurled which will present new problems. There is little doubt but even though he does, Dr. Serena will find hard going.



TIMES are improving, but it would be hard to improve at the price on the following dinner for six people. We still want to get as much good food for as low a price as possible, and this dinner will cost, in most places, only twenty-five cents per person. It has the advantage, too, of including fish and so affording variety, for most people forget to eat fish more than once a week. Here's the menu:

Creamed Salmon, Peas and Cucumber 35c
Baked Stuffed Potatoes 15c
Broccoli 35c
Orange and Onion Salad 18c
Bread and Butter 10c
Peach Pudding 27c
Coffee with Cream 10c

Most of these foods are easy to cook, but you will need these recipes for the main dish and the dessert.

Creamed Salmon, Peas and Cucumber: Make a white sauce of four tablespoons butter, three tablespoons flour, two cups milk and salt and pepper. Add the contents of an 8-ounce can of peas, the salmon, flaked, from half a tall can, and half a cucumber. Boil. Heat and serve.

Peach Pudding: Pour the sliced peaches from a No. 1 can into a baking dish, and sprinkle with one-half teaspoon cinnamon. Mix together one-half cup flour, one half cup sugar and one-third cup butter, and spread on top. Bake in a hot—450°—oven for about thirty minutes. Cool. Serve with two-thirds cup light cream.*

ident Walter Williams of Missouri University yesterday announced he would not accept the position as minister to China if it were offered him. "My duty is here at the university," a statement issued by Dr. Williams said. "In these present difficult times I cannot in justice to the obligation laid upon me at the university leave for other public service." Friends of Dr. Williams had proposed his name for the post.

CHAIRS FORMERLY USED AT SIKESTON FAIR IN USE AT COURTHOUSE Recently J. L. Matthews of Sike-

ston, as a representative of the former Sikeston Fair Association offered the County Court some chairs, that had been used in the amphitheatre at Sikeston, for use in the court house. The offer was accepted and Friday the seats were hauled to Benton. There were 56 of these chairs, and they will be placed in the county court room where some of the seats have been broken.

It was a nice gift on the part of the Sikeston citizens and the members of the county court appreciate it very much.—Benton Democrat.

MALONE THEATRE
TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY
March 7th and 8th

One show only Wed. eve., March 8th

On granite stone in letters of blood the law is written, "East is East, West is West"

On granite stone in letters of blood the law is written, "East is East and West is West." East or West, man's passion flames reckless of race and creed. But hte Gods themselves take jealous hand when defiant love strays beyond the barriers of blood. See this great picture... a flaming story of a girl who came to save souls and lost her own. Of a General who spurned an empire for a dream. The gloriously dramatic story of a woman's soul, etched in living flames. Seething with conflicting emotions. Daring, taunting, heart-breaking.



Ethel Merman in
Time On My Hands
Masquers Comedy
"The Bride's Bereavement"

Matinee—Wednesday 3 p. m.

Prices for Show Only, 30c
FREE—3 pounds of Maxwell House Coffee each night.

BOXING

Malone Theatre
Enjoy Your Favorite Sport In Comfort
Sikeston, Mo.
Benefit Emergency Hospital Fund

MAIN EVENT—6 ROUNDS
Otis Bryant —vs.— Art Jones
Sikeston Poplar Bluff

WRESTLING
EXTRA ADDED ATTRACTION!
One Fall—30 Minute Time Limit
Blackie Monaan 198 Pounds Ottumwa, Iowa
vs.
Glenn Twitty 175 lb. Semo Champ Cape Girardeau

Semi-Final Boxing—3 Rounds
Big Boy Blanchard 170 Pounds Blytheville, Arkansas
vs.
Herbert Swinger 175 Pounds - Dexter, Missouri

Bulldog vs. Bluejay—3 Rounds
Walter "Mighty" Ancell vs. Sonny Golightly
Sikeston's Mauler Charleston's Challenger

Two 3-Round Prelims

18 Rounds Boxing Curtain 8:30 P. M. One Mat Event

This card will get under way immediately following the first show Wednesday Night, March 8th, at the Malone Theatre.
General Adm. 35c. Ringside 15c Extra. Gallery 25c

MALONE THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
March 9th and 10th

Matinee—Friday 3 p. m.

HER FIRST GREAT STARRING PICTURE!

KATE SMITH
IN FANNIE HURST'S
Hello Everybody!

RANDOLPH SCOTT
SALLY BLANE
A Paramount Picture

Hear Kate's Golden Voice in New Magic Melodies!

She helped everybody but herself! A Lady Bountiful with a ready song on her lips to hide the ache of emptiness in her own heart!

Paramount Sound News and Andy Clyde in "Artists Muddles"

FREE—Three pounds of Maxwell House Coffee every night.

News of the Town

By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581

Mrs. Roscoe Bennett of St. Louis is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lige Inman, and family.

Roy Anderson, who is stationed at Dexter with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, was brought to the home of his mother, Mrs. Minnie Anderson here last Thursday, suffering from pneumonia. Reports from Mr. Anderson Monday morning, were, that he was better.

If you have sent your Felt Hat to Faultless for cleaning and blocking you are headed right for Spring. Phone 127.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Buckles went to St. Louis, Sunday, to visit this week with his parents.

Shirley Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith, Matthews Avenue, is absent from school this week on account of sickness.

Teddy Anderson and family of Richmond, Ind., arrived Sunday for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Minnie Anderson and brothers.

Ewell Barger of Lake Village, Ark., visited Sunday evening here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Barger, and children, Ewell, Jr. and Betty Barger. Mr. Barger went from here that night to Portageville.

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Mrs. Lon Nall left Saturday for Hot Springs, Ark., where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Nall. Mrs. Nall visited with Mrs. Myrtle Merrell and sons in Poplar Bluff Saturday night, while enroute to Hot Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Blanton spent Monday and Tuesday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sexton and son, Jimmie, left Saturday for a visit of several days with the former's father, Alfred Sexton, at Harrisburg, Ill.

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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt plans to reduce expenses of operating the White House one-fourth. Her husband has requested that she present this example of economy in accord with the campaign pledge of the Democratic party that government expense be cut 25 per cent. There will be general approval of the fact that the President's family believe that economy should start at home.

Billy Van Arsdale, Purvis Orrell, Frances Bowman and Mary Alice Latham were guests to a surprise birthday dinner given for Ray Allen and Raynette Moll, Friday. The Moll children were celebrating their twelfth birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Fish visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cameron, at Marston.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Matthews and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moore of Poplar Bluff were in St. Louis, Sunday, where they attended the A. & P. managers' banquet held at the Coronado Hotel. Mr. Matthews is manager of the A. & P. store here, while Mr. Moore is manager of the meat department in the A. & P. Store at Poplar Bluff.

Mrs. Dal Harness and daughter, Miss Dalma, and Mrs. A. B. Carpenter of Chicago, Ill., visited Sunday afternoon in Cape Girardeau with the ladies' brother, Glenn Stevens, and Mrs. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vogel-sang of Cape Girardeau spent last week-end in Sikeston with

age, Saturday, March 4. Friends and acquaintances join in wishing this wonderful old gentleman many more years of life.

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The Co-Workers of the local Methodist church will meet this afternoon (Tuesday) with Mrs. T. F. Henry on South Kingshighway. All members are invited to be present.

The T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist church meets tonight (Tuesday) at the home of Mrs. Boyd Scillian. Mrs. Sarah Matthews will assist as hostess. All members of the class are invited to attend the "kid party".

Norman Davis returned from Jefferson City last Saturday, where he had been on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Kerr of Amory, Miss., and John Fehrenbach of Cape Girardeau were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Gmeiner.

The regular meeting of the Y. W. A. of the Baptist church to have been held tonight (Tuesday) at the home of Miss Beulah Swann, has been postponed until the next regular meeting on account of the meetings being held to take the course "Pioneer Women".

The Intermediate Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church, will meet tonight (Tuesday) with Miss June Marshall. All members are invited.

W. M. U. CIRCLE NEWS

The Mary Reed Circle held its meeting last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ernest Cox on Murray Lane. Following the business session, Mrs. Bill Hayden led the program given from the book "Why and How of Missions". The next meeting of the Circle will be with Mrs. Lawrence Ray on Second Street.

The Jane Hasseltine Circle met on last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Dean Marshall. After the business session the lesson from the book "How to Pray" was given by the teacher, Mrs. Leslie Garrison. The next meeting of the Circle will be held with Mrs. Ruby Hamby.

The Mary Webb Circle met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Joe Mathis. At this time the members completed the book "Larger Stewardship", which they had been studying for the past several weeks. The next will be held at the home of Mrs. V. McDaniel. The members of this Circle will gather quilt pieces, which will be given to the Circle chairman, Mrs. Glenn Fish, who will later send them to the Old Folks Home in Ironton.

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FUNERAL HELD FOR WOMAN SHOT THURSDAY BY HER HUSBAND

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Illinois Baptist church with Rev. E. Z. Newsum, pastor, officiating, for Mrs. Marie Powers, 38-year-old Fornfelt woman who was shot and killed by her husband Thursday afternoon. Burial was in Oakdale cemetery, near Commerce.

A coroner's jury was expected to return a verdict of accidental death, although a definite statement could not be had today.

A coroner's jury composed of six men called by H. J. Welsh to investigate the fatal shooting of Mrs. Marie Powers by her husband Aaron, shortly after noon Thursday at their home in Fornfelt was expected to report this (Monday) morning following a private investigation by each member of the jury. The latter procedure was decided upon by M. E. Montgomery, prosecuting attorney, who with Sheriff Joe Anderson and Coroner Welsh completed a preliminary investigation following the affair Thursday.

Powers who seems to be held in high esteem by all of his neighbors and who for the past three weeks has been sick, was called to testify in the case. He and his wife were alone in the home of his mother, Mrs. Gibson, when the tragedy occurred.

"Yes, we were alone when this thing happened" Powers told the jury Thursday afternoon. "The girls, Frances and Lillian, went to school that morning. Frances came home at noon from Illinois as she always does, for the noon meal, while Lillian, the younger, eats her noon meals at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ramsey in Fornfelt. She did not come home at noon. My mother, Mrs. Eliza Gibson, had gone to the home of one of her sisters, Mrs. Andy Miller, out in the country, about three miles, to spend the day.

"We ate dinner and I came from the table to lie down on the couch there", pointing to a day bed in the living room. "After Marie finished washing the dishes, she came to the room and lay down on the couch beside me for a while and rested. After a little while I asked her if she would go get me some chewing tobacco, and she said, 'Why sure' and got up from the couch."

The testimony continued with the statement that the wife went over to a dresser at the west side of the room to get a pair of stockings, for she decided to change clothes before going to the store. As she stood by the dresser, she looked out of the window and remarked, "There goes that little old dog again, chasing them chickens", I offered to get up and shoot the tion of the shot indicating, according to Mrs. Powers had changed her dress by this time, and had put on one stocking. She was seated in a rocking chair putting on the other one on, when her husband returned from Mrs. Gibson's room with a Winchester pump gun. It had several shells in the magazine, but none in the chamber. He held the gun in normal loading position, threw a shell into the barrel, and in some manner discharged the weapon. The charge tore off a portion of Mrs. Powers' skull, and lodged in a nearby wall, the position of the shot indicating, according to Coroner Welsh, that the weapon was held in a normal, easy manner. Had a deliberate attempt been made to shoot the woman, the shot would likely have ranged downward for the victim was seated and her husband is a tall man.

Immediately following the incident, Mr. Powers ran a short dis-

tance to the home of an aunt, Mrs. W. M. Turner, crying, "Marie is shot—send for a doctor quick".

Dr. G. T. Dorris was summoned immediately, but stated, following his arrival at the Powers home, that Mrs. Powers had died instantly.

The husband was nearly exhausted from shock and nervousness when interviewed by officials and members of the coroner's jury. To Sheriff Joe Anderson, Powers cried out, "Joe, Joe, take that gun outside and break it over a rock. I never want to see a gun again as long as I live".

Powers was ordered held Thursday evening.

MISSOURI SENATE REFUSES TO LOWER STATE AUTO FEES

Jefferson City, March 3.—An emphatic "no" is the senate's answer to proposals for a reduction

of motor car registration fees.

Fearful that a reduction would seriously cripple Missouri's farm-to-market road program, which is not more than 25 per cent completed, the senate late yesterday killed the Joffe bill when it was called up for perfection. Only six senators voted for perfection and twenty-two against, with six absent.

The decisiveness of the vote definitely ended the possibility of an assembly. The Weber bill, house companion of the Joffe bill, probably will never be called up in the senate, it was indicated today, since would face certain defeat.

SALVATION ARMY PLANS CANNERY AT GIRARDEAU FOR SPRING GARDEN CROP

Cape Girardeau, March 3.—Capt. Ernest Orchard, head of the Salvation Army here, has announced the army will set up a small

cannery this spring in order that needy families may can and preserve a part of next winter's supply of staple foods. Capt. Orchard estimates more than \$500 worth of food can be packed.

As I See It—

A bit of ironic humor was injected into the national bank holiday announcement by one major radio broadcasting chain late Sunday night. A program of dance music was abruptly terminated; the proclamation of President Roosevelt was given; then the regular announcer stepped up to the microphone and solemnly announced: "The orchestra will continue the program with the selection 'What Else Is There to do But Say Goodbye'".

Nuff sed!

After weighing two school teachers from Musket Ridge Saturday morning the Rye Straw Storekeeper said their parents, in naming them Lilly and Grace, could not have had at that time any idea how the girls would look when they grew up.—Commercial Appeal.

Washington Hocks says he narrowly escaped being tricked into getting an education when he was a boy by the dinner-like sound of the school bell.—Commercial Appeal.

The Tickville mayor and the town marshal yesterday had a conference on the economic situation. Atlas Peck says, they've held public office so long they should know what it means not to have any work to do.—Commercial Appeal.

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A Message To All Depositors of Sikeston Banks

In cooperation with the "bank holiday" declared by our President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, our local banks are temporarily closed.

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Acting in good faith and in cooperation with the President of the United States, our banks will observe this holiday period. This action on the part of the President does not in any way impair the financial stability of the banks in Sikeston. At the expiration of the designated period, the Sikeston banks will be open for business, observing whatever rules and regulations are imposed on us by the State and Federal banking authorities. This is a situation which we very much deplore, but must abide by it in the best interests of our depositors, our citizens, our City, State and Nation.

We are asking our customers to bear patiently with the situation and join with us in meeting whatever emergency is necessary for the welfare of each and every individual.

This situation is nationwide, is not confined to Sikeston or Missouri banks, but was made necessary because of the troubled conditions existing in every State of the Nation.

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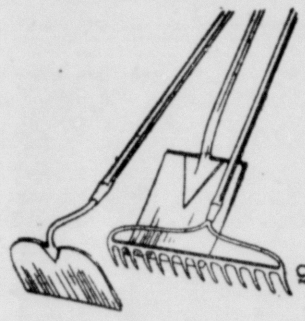
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MORLEY

(By Mrs. C. A. Stallings)

L. W. Revelle, J. B. Kirkpatrick, C. A. Stallings, C. W. Cannon and J. S. Keese were at Benton Thursday to attend the Farm Bureau meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Tomlinson and little son attended the funeral of a great aunt of Mrs. Tomlinson's at Birkville, Ill., Thursday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Losse of J. J. Hunter is having a machine shed built on his farm north of Morley.

A large number of new people have moved into this school district since the first of the year and some of the grade school rooms are crowded.

A revival meeting is being held at the Church of God with Mrs. Evans doing the preaching.

Mrs. Ronald Ryan was the recipient of a number of beautiful gifts at a surprise miscellaneous shower given here Thursday night by her fellow-teachers in the faculty of the Morley school. At the invitation of Mrs. T. H. Lee, she was taken to the home of Mrs. Hal Boyce, where the other guests were assembled and the surprise awaited her. She was a bride of the late summer and her husband is teaching in New Mexico. The teachers include: R. A. Moyers, Mrs. Arma Blackney, S. J. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Laval, Mesdames T. H. Lett, Ruth Finney, Ronald Ryan, Misses Leda Daugherty, Marie Esmon and Dick Boyce.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Black and daughter, Mrs. U. J. Mason, and the latter's children of Vanduser were guests of C. A. Stallings Thursday.

Mrs. J. F. Grant and son, Kenneth, Joe Lowe and Alden Stallings were down from Cape Girardeau Friday visiting relatives.

Mrs. Ronald Ryan went to Oran Saturday morning for a week-end visit with Mrs. Earlie Carter.

The St. Louis Union Trust Co. is having three small houses built on their land two miles north of town on Highway 61 for cotton tenants.

Dr. C. D. Harris was able to go to Cape Girardeau a couple of days this past week and have some X-ray pictures made.

A large and appreciative audience enjoyed the music presented by the Chamber Music Society of Sikeston at the local M. E. church Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Creal may be receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter Saturday, March 4. It is the second daughter and fifth child.

Mrs. Carrie Masters and daughter, Miss Ruth, were week-end guests of the R. A. Moyers family.

Mrs. Wm. Foster has been seriously ill the past few days.

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SEED AND FEED LOAN BLANKS TO BE READY SOON

By R. L. Furry, Scott County Extension Agent

Seed and feed loans for farmers will be ready in a few days. The field man for the Farmers Seed Loan will appoint someone in Scott County this week to receive applications. Just who this will be and at what towns is not yet decided. The County Agent's office will not handle it this year and has no information on it. Application blanks are not yet available, but The Standard hopes to give full information in its next issue.

Preliminary information is that the loans will be for seed, fertilizer, feed for work stock, machinery repair, oil and gas for tractors, not to exceed three dollars per acre with a maximum loan of \$300 per farmer. No loans will be made for hiring labor, food, clothing, livestock feed, payment of other debts or purchase of new machinery or new work stock.

A waiver of landlords rent will be required before a tenant may get on. The cash crop acreage will have to be reduced to 70 per cent of the 1932 acreage and the remaining 30 per cent will have to be idle or may be put in a soil building crop as cowpeas, soybeans or clover but cannot be put in anything that is a cash crop. The crop reduction does not apply where the 1933 acreage does not exceed 8 acres of cotton, 20 acres of corn or 40 acres of wheat, 2½ acres of truck.

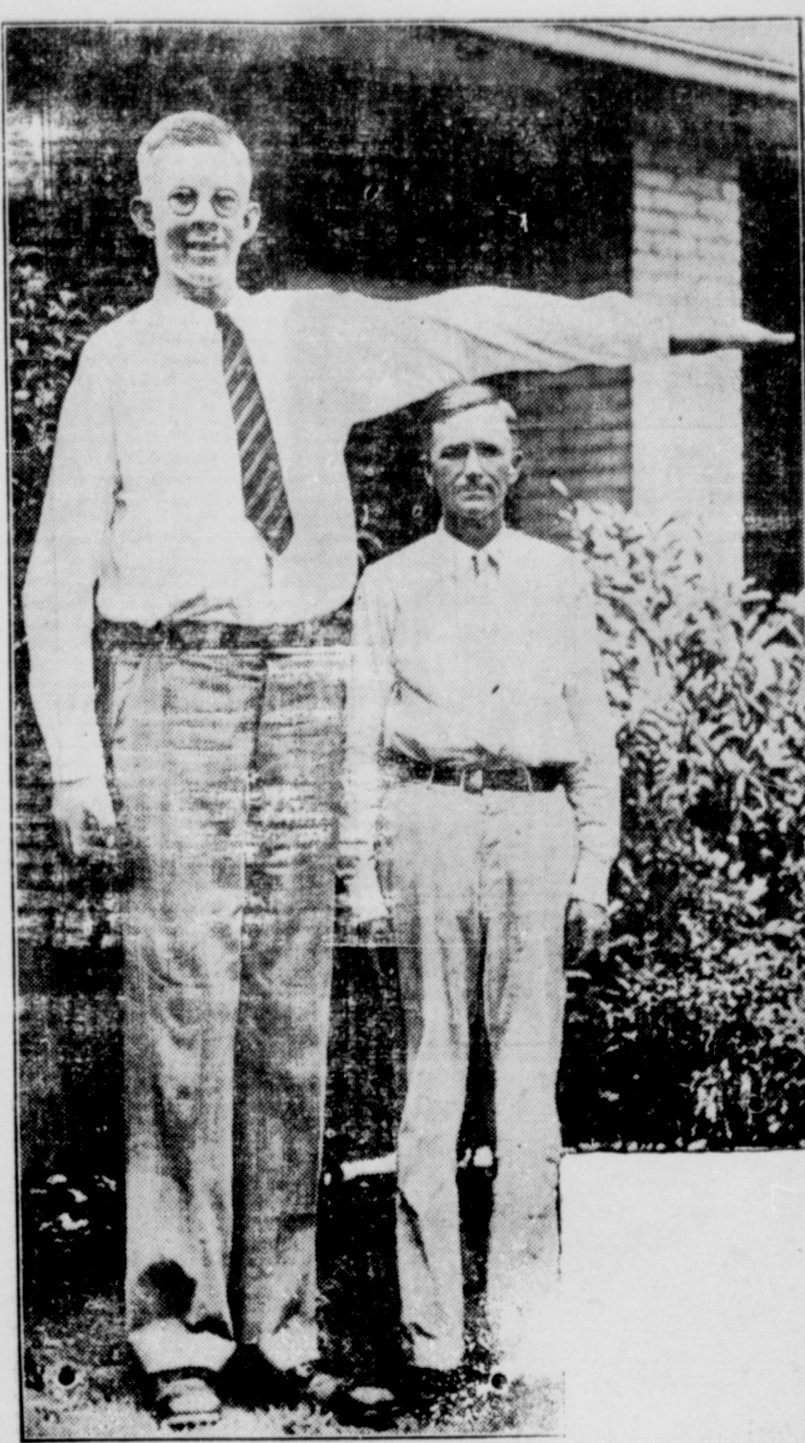
Each applicant must plant a garden large enough to take care of his table needs.

The rate of interest will be 5½%, principal due October 31. Applicant who borrowed in previous years and has paid only a part of loan may receive up to \$100 provided payments have taken up greater part of loan. Where the loan has been collateralized, it will be considered only part payment of previous loan, unless the present market price of the collateral will pay off loan and on that basis, under which conditions he may receive more than \$100.

CAPE TEACHERS COLLEGE REDUCES STUDENT FEES

The board of regents of the Southeast Missouri State Teachers College has reduced materially expenses of attending the college, both in incidental fees and dormitory charges. Incidental fees will be reduced 25 per cent, beginning with the Spring Term, and dormitory expenses will be cut to \$5 per week for board and room with the same service given as now prevails. Reduced incidental fees will include payment for student activity tickets and other privileges enjoyed under the former charges. The reduced fees will be as follows: For the Spring Term, \$9 instead of \$12; Summer Term, \$15 instead of \$20; Fall Term, \$22.50 instead of \$30. This reduction has been made by the board to enable students desiring higher education to afford a college course during the present economic conditions. There will be no lessening of advantages and facilities in curricula, other than is made necessary by reduced appropriations. The Spring Term will begin Tuesday, April 18, with about the same schedule as last year. There will be three senior college courses scheduled and two mathematics courses, trigonometry and algebra, offered instead of one course as was given last year. Total enrollment for the Spring term in 1932 was 234 students.

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Robert Wadlow, giant boy of Alton, Ill., is 14 years old, and wears size 34 Peters Shoes, an International product. He is 7 feet, 6½ inches tall, and weighs a mere 335 pounds. Doctors say that he will probably continue to grow for another ten years, due to some disarrangement of a gland governing growth.

Robert is pictured here with his father quite a normal human being who is at a loss to understand the boy's peculiar yen for imitating a bean pole. A young brother of Robert is quite normal as is his mother.

This wisp of a child is a regular boy in every way. He belongs to the Boy Scouts, goes to school every day and plans with all the boys his own age. He is interested in everything that appeals to other boys. His next pair of shoes will measure size 36. In ten years

W. B. A. RALLY HERE THIS (MONDAY) EVENING

A large number of representatives from the W. B. A. lodges of this district are expected to be here today (Monday) at a rally meeting to be held in the I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. May A. C. Sommers, State Field Director of St. Louis, and Miss Dorothy Hunt, Deputy Supreme Supervisor of Girls' Activities of Chicago, will be present for the affair, and candidates from Marston and Sikeston will receive the Degree.

This meeting and two others to be held at Poplar Bluff and Caruthersville this week will cancel the annual District Rally for April. Tuesday evening, March 7th, Miss

Hunt will meet the young girls in the Del Rey Hotel parlor about 7:30 o'clock to plan the organization of a Gamma Nu Fraternity.

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DIEHLSTADT DEFEATS BLUE JAY FIVE FOR SUB-DISTRICT HOOP HONORS AT BENTON

The Diehlstadt basketball team defeated the Charleston quintet in the final game of the Subdistrict Tournament held at Benton, Saturday night, 18-12, to win the first place trophy. Both teams go to the district tourney to be held at Cape Girardeau next week.

Benton lost the game for the consolation trophy, Fornfelt winning by a score of 12-22. In the game for the consolation trophy, Sherfield was the high pointer for Fornfelt, garnering 10 points, with Bray next with 8. Charlie Harrison of Benton was their high scorer getting 5 points. In the championship game, Malone, six foot eleven center for Diehlstadt, was the high pointer with 14 points, Jones getting the other 4 points. The scoring for Charleston was also done by two players, Lutz forward, getting 8 and Ellis, guard, scoring the other 4 points.

The All-Star team, picked by the officials of the tourney was as follows: First team: Jones, Diehlstadt and C. Harrison, Benton, forwards, Malone, Diehlstadt; center, Ellis, Charleston and Holt, Morley, guards. The second team was composed of Howle, Charleston and Collier Diehlstadt, forwards, Sherfield, Fornfelt center, Brown, Charleston and Bray, Fornfelt, guards. Diehlstadt and Charleston each placed three men on the all-star teams, Fornfelt placing two and Benton and Morley one each. Iverson Michie of Cape Girardeau refereed all games of the tourney.

Sikeston Dropped 34-17 In the loser's division of the tourney played Friday night, Aniston nosed out Vanduser 20 to 19 in the first game. Chaffee lost to Benton 24 to 14 in the second tilt of the evening.

In the championship bracket, Fornfelt defeated Sikeston, 17-34. The Fornfelt five played super-defensive ball during the first three quarters, holding the Sikeston quintet to 3 points. During the last period, with mostly second-string players, they allowed the score to get closer. Sherfield with 12 and Tomlinson 5 and Bray with 8 were high pointers for Fornfelt.

Jones and Bandy with 4 each were high pointers for Sikeston.

In the semi-finals of the upper bracket, Diehlstadt won easily over Morley, 31-11. Malone, six foot eleven center for Diehlstadt, was the high scorer with 13 points, Sater was next with 5 and Collier on his heels with 4. Dickey was the high pointer for Morley, scoring 4 points.

Jefferson City, Mo., 408 Adam Street March 4, 1933

Mr. C. L. Blanton, Editor Sikeston, Missouri

Dear Editor and Friend:

Today finds me yet in Jefferson City at work. After thanking you and my other white friends for the interest you took in securing a job for me, I wish to say that I enjoyed very much, having the privilege of seeing you in this city last Wednesday.

I hope these few words will not take too much of your time to read them. I don't know what to say about it, but I want a few words of congratulation put in the paper for having had the pleasure of meeting you all and talking to you face to face.

I met Hon. Mr. Munger and he had me to know that he was interested in what you and I were talking about. Thank you.

I listened to what I felt the best speeches I ever heard fall from the lips of any President inaugural address. I feel more like the country will in the future get back to prosperity if it will follow this man's slate.

Now in some way put this in the paper, so both there and here will see what I am saying through the papers.

I remain yours for the good of the Democratic party.

S. B. WOODS

ANCIENT JEWISH STORY TO BE COMMEMORATED AT GIRARDEAU MARCH 12

Purim will be celebrated by the Jewish community of Cape Girardeau at their usual meeting place at the community house Sunday, March 12, in celebration of the ancient story of Queen Esther. The Book of Esther holds a unique position in Jewish thought

and literature. The Purim festival based on the romantic story of this Biblical book. The story of the conflict between Haman and Mordecai who subsequently became Xerxes' prime minister. Ahasuerus was identified with Xerxes whose young queen was Esther, the young cousin of Mordecai.

Mordecai performed 'unselfish service for the King of Persia by his fidelity. He skillfully laid bare the plot against the King's life, brought the traitors to justice, and then quietly resumed his station as gatekeeper at the imperial palace. But Haman, the antisemite, could not control his hatred against the harmless Jew, whom he probably knew that the Jews were exempted from bowing or prostrating themselves before man on account of the teachings of their religion. Haman could not bear to demand this sign of servitude and seeing this calm resistance which infuriated Haman, he vowed to be revenged not on Mordecai alone but upon the entire Jewish race, and by influence of the Queen Esther the decree issued by Haman was withdrawn and the Jewish race was saved.

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URGE ALL I. O. O. F. MEMBERS TO ATTEND MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

Charles R. Bethune, secretary of the local I. O. O. F. Chapter, is issuing special reminders to all members urging their attendance at the regular meeting Tuesday night, March 7, at which time degree work will be practiced and reviewed. The Chapter is preparing to attend a district convention this spring on April 26 at Bonne Terre. Refreshments will be served "pot luck" style at the meeting here Tuesday night, the joker being that each member will bring either pie or sandwiches.

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Sanitary Needs

A Few Words of Encouragement To Our Citizens From a Sikeston Optimist

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Delicious Hash—Combine 1 cup grated cheese, 2 cups Rice Flakes, 1 egg, 1 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce, and dash of pepper. Place a generous layer in a buttered baking dish, add a layer of chopped ham and repeat using remaining ingredients. (1 to 2 cups chopped left-over baked or boiled ham required). Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) until cheese is melted and the top slightly brown (about 15 minutes). If left-over ham is not available use thin slices of cold boiled or baked ham.

Pork Roast Casserole—Chop 1 large onion and ½ green pepper finely, add 3 tablespoons Pure Cider Vinegar, and cook until vinegar evaporates. Pour in ½ cup Cream of Tomato Soup and ½ cup broth (chicken, pork, veal or beef) and cook slowly for half an hour. Place slices or cubes of left-over pork in a casserole and cover with above sauce. Sprinkle top with buttered bread crumbs or Rice Flakes, and heat in a hot oven for about 15 minutes, until crumbs are brown and meat thoroughly heated through.

Braised Tongue With Tomato Sauce—Mix 2 cups sliced potatoes, 1 cup diced carrot (parboiled for 8 minutes) and ½ cup diced onion, with ½ teaspoon salt and pepper and arrange with ½ lb. thinly sliced cold smoked tongue in alternate layers in casserole. Pour 1 cup Cream of Tomato Soup over all, cover and bake at 350° F. until vegetables are tender and sauce rich and thick.

MOREHOUSE HIGH SCHOOL CARNIVAL A SUCCESS

In behalf of the Morehouse high school, we wish to thank the people of Morehouse and Sikeston for helping us to make our annual school carnival a success.

Especially do we want to thank the business houses and all individuals for contributing so liberally to our country store. We also wish to express our appreciation to the teachers, students and others who worked so faithfully and contributed to the success of the program.

Without a doubt, from every standpoint this was the most successful of any carnival we have ever had. We had more people to attend, more plays and better shows. Last but not least, made

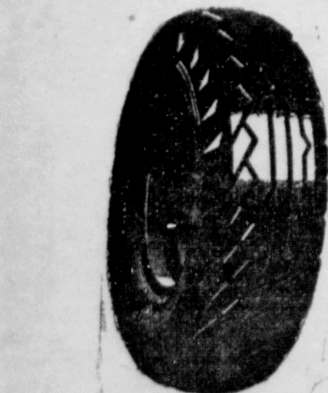
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MORLEY

(By Mrs. C. A. Stallings)

(Items for last week)

L. D. Helms of Vanduser was a guest at the J. F. Little home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Foster spent the week-end as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Abernathy in the Hooe District.

Fred Jones, Jr., of Sikeston visited his cousin, Joe Emerson, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Nations, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nations of Cape Girardeau visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Braxton Nations, during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Harris and daughter, Peggy Lou, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harrison and daughters, Mary Lee and Ruth of Benton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Lile of Sikeston Sunday afternoon.

Hall Dickey and son, Wilson were business visitors in Oran Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Pool and nephew of Hot Springs Ark., were in Morley Wednesday, renewing acquaintances.

Many Morley people are attending the Oran "talkies" and say they are having some splendid pictures.

Many tourists enroute to New Orleans to attend Mardi Gras were guests at Hunter's Cafe on Highway 61 the past week.

Mrs. Nora Sexton returned to her home at Metropolis, Ill., Saturday after a five weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. W. P. Clayton.

J. J. Hunter and W. B. Berry of Cape Girardeau stopped in Morley Friday, while enroute home from New Madrid.

Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Miller and little son of St. Charles were in Morley a short while Tuesday greeting friends.

The contractors have completed the culverts on Highway 55 from Chaffee to the intersection of 61 near Morley and with favorable weather the new road will soon be completed.

R. K. Griggs of Sikeston was a week-end guest of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Griggs.

Mrs. Gus Slickman of Oran visited friends in Morley Monday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Ellis and baby went to Jackson Monday to attend a Ministerial Alliance meeting returning to Cape Girardeau Tuesday, where the former attended a layman's banquet that night.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Foster and children, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Foster of St. Louis were guests of Mrs. Elsie Norman during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker May spent several days at Charleston last week with relatives.

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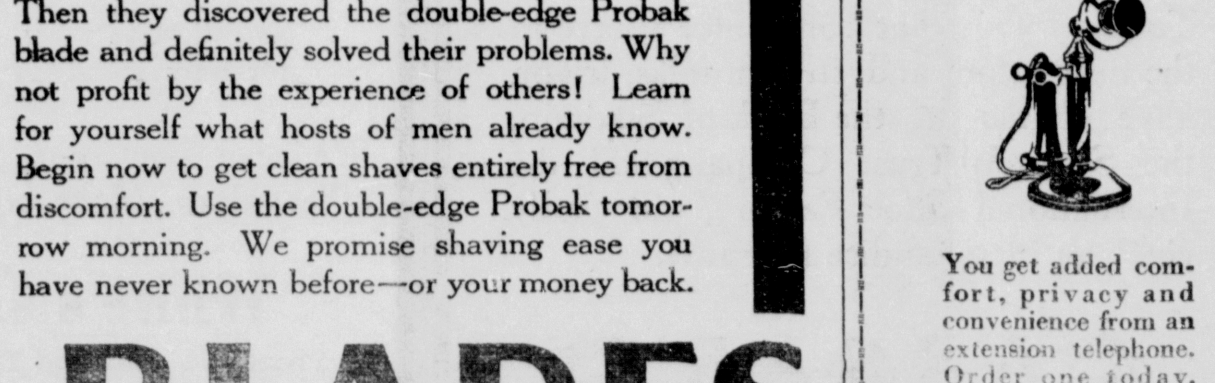
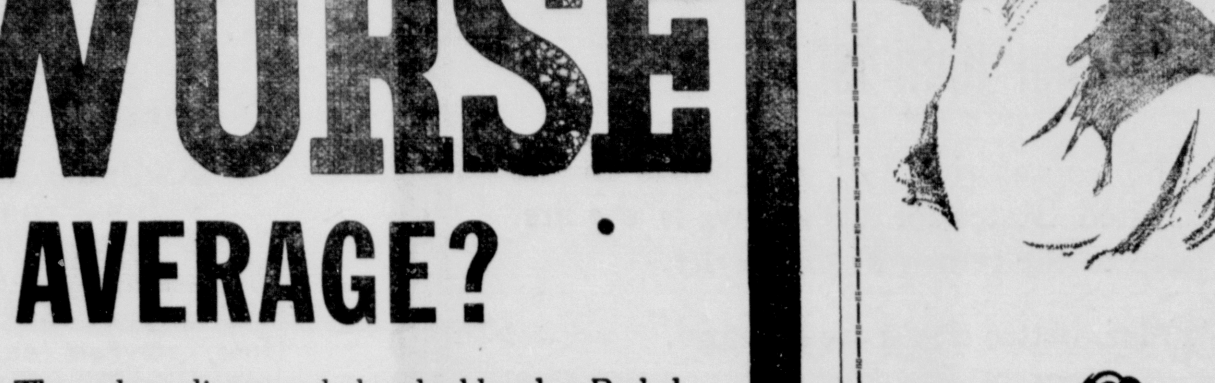
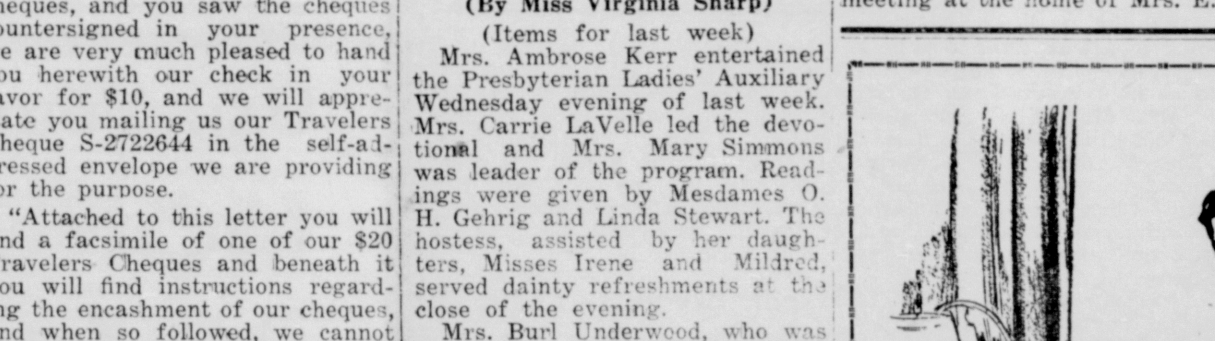
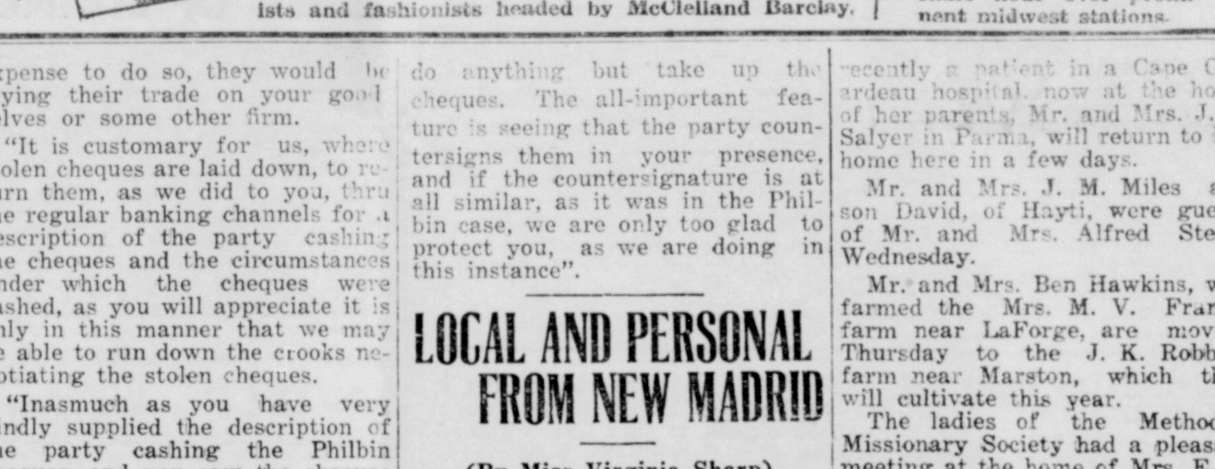
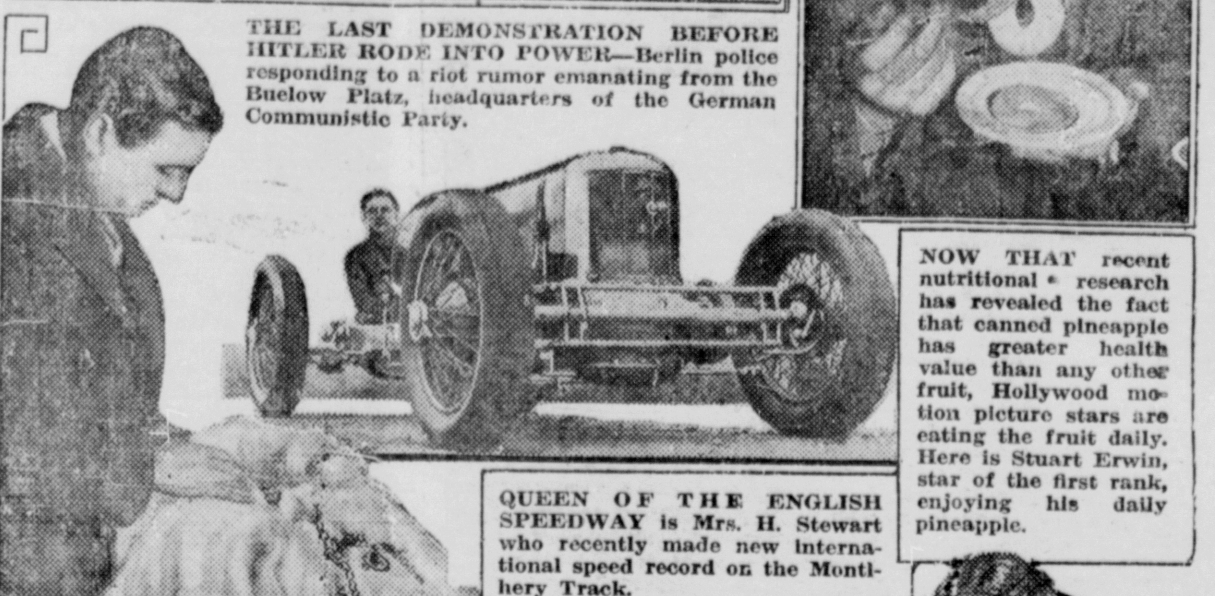
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Abie Siegal and Olen Dacus of Portageville transacted business in this city today.

Miss Rebecca Jagers spent the week-end in Murfreesboro, Tenn., with her parents.

Mrs. Gordon Nance and Mrs. Scott Julian transacted business in Marston Wednesday evening.

Miss Ann Warden spent the past week-end in Jackson with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon B. Nance

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Mrs. Edith Harris and children, Mary Lou and Jackie Raymond, of Gideon are spending a few days here visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Harris.

URGES ST. CHARLES TO BUILD CITY LIGHT PLANT

An appeal to residents of St. Charles to approve the proposed \$300,000 bond issue for construction of a municipal light plant was made by Daniel C. Rogers of Fayette, counsel for the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities, at a meeting held Friday night at St. Charles. The plan will be voted on March 11.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL
FROM MATTHEW'S

(Mrs. W. H. Deane)
(Items for last week)
Mr. and Mrs. Granville Mainord and little daughter, Lila, of New Madrid were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Englehardt shopped in Sikeston Saturday.

Rev. D. M. Margrave filled his regular appointment here Sunday. A large crowd attended the Sunday evening services.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kochel of Canolau visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Elderbrooks, Sunday.

Mrs. O. L. Daugherty is in Sikeston with her sister-in-law, Miss Elizabeth Daugherty, who is very ill.

Little Martha Ann Story is very ill at this writing.

Mrs. W. H. Deane is still ill at this writing.

Mrs. Gordon Stroud and sister, Miss Iris Burch, shopped in Sikeston, Friday.

Wm. Foley and Herb. Walton of Sikeston were Matthews visitors, Thursday.

Mrs. Ernest Kellett and sons of Sikeston visited Mrs. Eva Mainord, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kindred, who have been operating a filling station here, left Saturday for St. Louis, where Mr. Kindred has a position.

Mrs. Holly Warren and Hall Puckett of LaFayette spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Warren.

Miss Aileen Depo entertained the members of her Sunday school class Wednesday evening with a party. A delightful time was spent by the young folks. Refreshments consisting of cake and cocoa were served.

W. H. Deane and son, William, Jr., went to New Madrid Saturday on business.

Mrs. Jack Hartzel and little daughter spent Thursday and Friday in Sikeston with Mrs. Roy Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Holderby are moving back to Matthews from Sikeston. Mr. and Mrs. Holderby moved to Sikeston a few months ago. Their friends surely welcome them back to Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hunott and children of Kewanee were Matthews visitors, Sunday.

Mrs. Jones of Libourn was a Matthews visitor Saturday.

Rev. F. D. Baughn and wife returned to their home in Oak Ridge Thursday after a short visit here with Mr. and Mrs. William Deane, Jr.

Mrs. Cecilia Davis of Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. Ella Prouty of Sikeston were guests of Mrs. Maggie Hunott Monday and Tuesday.

Little Miss Mary Elizabeth Daugherty spent the week-end in Sikeston with relatives.

Mrs. Albert Deane and Miss Frankie Deane were Sikeston visitors, Saturday.

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CHAPTER III

"Hey, Blondie!" It was Ma's voice calling from the kitchen. Brokenly from Blondie, "Coming, Ma."

Before she entered the kitchen Blondie knew it would be the same old story. She knew it would be old in such a way there could be no answer from her. But this time it was disastrous. Blondie had to work. There were only two wage-earners in the family—Blondie and her father—and it took every cent to eke out the bare existence for that big family. How could she work if she didn't have a dress?

Why, just the other day poor Sally Vogel had been fired from the hard-ware department because her clothes were too shabby and she couldn't afford to buy a new dress.

And Sally had worked at Lacy's two years!

But what did her family care, Blondie thought as she entered the kitchen. All they cared about was themselves! That whining Gert, and Pete, the lazy loafer! Then Blondie saw her mother crying.

"Aw, Ma, what's the matter, tear?" and Blondie put her arm around her.

"Look at me—look at me! Why should I weep to tell my own daughter... Ma McClune never finished a sentence.

"You've spent my money!" Blondie looked at her searchingly. Her mother couldn't meet her daughter's gaze. She merely nodded her head.

"All of it?" questioned Blondie. Another nod indicating that was what had happened.

"What for?"

Ma finally got out the words. "I—can't—tell you."

"Why can't you tell me? Her mother was covering someone. Maybe it was Pete, who ate like a horse and never turned his hand to help feed his own wife and kids."

"It was my money, wasn't it? You spent it, didn't you?"

"I promised not to..." Ma's voice trailed off in a fresh burst of crying.

"Who'd you promise? Tell me, Ma. I got a right to know."

"I can't tell you."

"Ma—you wouldn't... Aw, what's the use—what's the use?" and in despair Blondie rushed from the kitchen, sobbing at her throat.

"That's the last time I leave any of my money around here—I'll put it in a bank—I'll hide it in my sock—I'll..."

Blondie stopped short to look daggers at Gert and Pete who were sitting calmly in the living room.

"What are you blowin' up about?" asked Gert.

"I'd saved that up for a dress," and Blondie was looking straight at Pete. "Where do you all get off—spending my money like that?"

"Don't accuse me! I didn't spend it!" Pete, squirming under Blondie's glaring look, finally got up and with a martyred sigh followed Gert into the kitchen.

Well, there was nothing to do but mend the old dress and try to make a go of it.

She heard Gert's voice trailing in from the kitchen: "Quit cryin' in the stew, Ma—it's thin enough!"

"Stew!" It was Pete's voice, full of disdain. "I could do with a nice southern fried chicken."

So, thought Blondie, the lazy lot wanted chicken! Chicken! And all she wanted was her own money to buy a dress so she could hold her job in the store!

"I'm telling you all," Blondie shouted, waking the baby on the box-couch in the corner. "That I'm getting fed up with it!"

"Fed up with what?" asked Gert, entering the living room.

"Look out!" Blondie cried. "You'd better get your baby—he'll fall!"

"You couldn't put your hands out to save him, could you?" sneered Gert.

"It isn't that—I've only got one dress—if anything happens to this, what can I do? Go out and beg—steal something, I suppose."

Blondie tried desperately to explain her situation. If she could only get just a little sympathy!

"Why don't you get Lottie to introduce you to those two swell ginks she was talkin' to?" said Pete, always ready with advice. "Lottie's a wise one. He gave her some dough, too!"

Blondie looked at him quickly, her eyes wide as you know?"

"I was restin'... er—er... I was sittin' on the Williams stoop... got a kinda funny feelin' inside... you know, Blondie, ever since my gallstones I ain't been well, so I got to sit a lot..."

Pete stopped as Blondie turned from him with a gesture of despair. "What a place," she said almost to herself. But Ma, coming in from the kitchen, heard her.

"Well, if you don't like it, Blondie, you know what you can do." Ma's tears were gone now. "Every time you come home lately it's: 'What a place! What a place! What a place!'"

"Aw, Ma, don't waste your breath. It was Gert's turn now. "These ladies that work downtown..."

"Ladies that work is right," Blondie interrupted her.

"Listen to this!" Pete stood up suddenly, dramatically holding the newspaper in front of him. He knew better than to let these family quarrels go too long. They always wound up with him in the midst of them listening to tirades on why he didn't try to work.

"Sack the rich!" read Pete in a bombastic voice. Then with an interpretation to his listeners, "If they bring in that new income tax, oh boy! oh, boy!—that'll scorch 'em. Why, I tell you..." His voice trailed off as Blondie hurriedly left the room. Pete knew that the worst was over until the next time.

"It's no use—no use whatever," thought Blondie as she entered a little side hall next to the McClune flat and dejectedly made her way to the window at the end. She just couldn't stand it any longer, that's all! They wouldn't listen to her! They wouldn't try to see her side of anything! She couldn't even tell them that her very job depended on the clothes she wore! They refused to listen! Aw, what was the use anyway!

Blondie was tired, depressed. She was worried about Lottie, worried about her dress money. As she reached the window the raucous street noises assailed her ears—screaming children, hawkers' cries, barking dogs, screaming hand organs, rattling wagons—all waited up and rested heavily on her as she sank down on the window ledge.

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MISSOURI HISTORY

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(Floyd C. Shoemaker)

St. Louis was the center of a vast fur-trade in its early days. From the little frontier town, river boats, manned by sturdy Canadian voyagers, pushed their slow way into the will interior, laden with goods for Indian trade. And back again to the St. Louis wharf came the boats, loaded with a wealth of furs. Many of the prominent men of early St. Louis engaged in this active fur trade, and among them was Wilson Price Hunt.

It was on March 11, 1811, one hundred twenty-two years ago this week, that Hunt left St. Louis on an expedition of the Pacific Fur Company that was to establish itself at the mouth of the Columbia river in what is now Oregon. The place was to be called Astoria. The whole project was under the skillful guidance of John Jacob Astor of New York, a pioneer of vast business enterprises in America.

Sixteen men were in the party that left St. Louis with Hunt. A well-equipped barge was their means of transportation. Among the men was John Bradbury, scientist and traveler, who kept a journal of the trip up the Missouri. The party pushed up the river to the place where a majority of the expedition wintered, near the mouth of the Nodaway river, not far from the site of St. Joseph, Missouri, and from here on April 21, the expedition embarked in four boats.

At the Arikara Indian villages far up the Missouri, the party abandoned their boats and took to overland travel on horses. They did not follow the more northern route of Lewis and Clark who preceded them, and Hunt has been criticised for blunders he made as commander of the expedition. When the party reached the Snake river, the horses were loosed, and the expedition took to boats, but the river proved unsafe for boat travel. Finally, lacking food, and traveling by foot, the expedition broke up into small parties, and straggled into Astoria in the early part of 1812.

The company at Astoria began actively trading furs. On August 4, 1812, Hunt sailed to Alaska on a trading trip, and later proceeded to the Hawaiian Islands. There he learned of the declaration of war between Great Britain and the United States and he hastened back to Astoria to warn his partners. There he found that his partners had arranged to sell Astoria to the North West Company, a rival British firm. At first Hunt objected but later agreed to the sale. On April 3, 1814, Hunt left Astoria for the last time, and later that year the Pacific Fur Company was dissolved.

Hunt returned to St. Louis after his fur-trading venture, and resumed business. In 1819 his name is listed as a warden of Christ (Episcopal) Church there, and about the same time Hunt borrowed money from Astor to buy a great tract of land on Gravois Creek, eight miles southwest of St. Louis. Here he had a farm and erected a mill, known for many years as "Hunt's Mill". In 1820 Hunt was defeated as a candidate for delegate to the Missouri constitutional convention. In 1822, however, he was appointed postmaster of St. Louis, a position he held for eighteen years. On April 20, 1836, he married Mrs. Anne Lucas Hunt, only daughter of Judge John B. C. Lucas, and widow of of Theodore Hunt, cousin of Wilson Price Hunt.

Although as partners in the Pacific Fur Company, their association was not profitable, John Jacob Astor and Wilson Price Hunt were good friends. Astor frequently lent money to Hunt, and in 1831, Hunt owed the New York man nearly \$30,000. To settle this debt,

Hunt conveyed his land near St. Louis to Astor and Astor reconveyed 300 acres of it to Hunt. Astor evidently used his influence to help Hunt and proposed him as land office official and later as postmaster at St. Louis. Hunt died in April, 1842.

Hunt was a native of New Jersey, born about 1782. He came to St. Louis in 1804 and with John Hankinson conducted a general store. On December 18, 1804, Hunt is listed as one of the members of the first grand jury in St. Louis. On June 10, 1809, Hunt and Hankinson dissolved their partnership. Hunt may already have entered negotiations with Astor regarding the formation of the Pacific Fur Company, and in November, 1809, he left St. Louis for New York, where he probably signed agreement of partnership with Astor and others. Hunt went to Montreal recruited men for the overland trip, and proceeded by water to St. Louis, where he arrived September 3. The expedition left St. Louis for winter quarters on the Missouri on October 21, reaching their destination on November 16. Hunt returned to St. Louis from where he left again March 11, 1811, on his expedition to Astoria.

CHECK FORGERS HAVE
HARD LUCK IN TWO
SOUTHEAST MO. TOWNS

Dexter, March 2.—Three young men, aged about 20, were arrested here on charges of forgery and cashing forged checks. They are Willard Allen, Oden Blackman and Calvin Moss of Bernie. They are alleged to have passed a check at a store in Malden, for \$43.60, and became frightened while trying to pass another and fled, leaving the check behind.

Caruthersville, March 2.—Hal Moore, wanted in Potosi, Mo. on a charge of issuing worthless checks, was arrested here by local officers. He is alleged to have cashed a number of "hot" checks at various points in Washington county. On the way to Caruthersville, Moore is said to have cashed another worthless check at Steele.

MEDICAL SOCIETY
TO MEET MARCH 9
IN POPLAR BLUFF

The Five County Medical Association will hold a meeting in Poplar Bluff on the evening of Thursday, March 9, it was announced today by Dr. F. L. Kneibert, secretary of the organization. The program will commence at 5:3

Sit Tight and Don't Rock the Boat

For a dozen years we have drifted toward an inevitable crisis. It arrived with a bang--Saturday.

We have a new leader at the helm---a man who started his "Do Something" program less than 12 hours after his inauguration.

He can do nothing without *your* help, and mine. And the most some of us can do is to sit tight---shut up---go to work---and quit rocking the boat.

Both Sikeston banks are in good shape, altho temporarily closed. So why worry.

Sikeston stores are full of beans and bacon. So why worry.

Sikeston farms are well stocked---so why worry.

We're doing the best we can---are you?

THE SIKESTON STANDARD